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BAYARD AT BRISTOL

The Ambassador Visits the Birthplace of His Great-Grandfather.

GUEST OF MERCHANT VENTURERS

Dined by the Chamber of Commerce and Later Distributed Prizes to the Students of the Technical School.

Bristol, Dec. 18.—Hon. Thomas F. Bayard, the American ambassador, arrived here yesterday in response to an invitation to distribute the prizes and deliver an address to the students at the annual commencement of the Technical school of the Society of Merchant Venturers. Mr. Bayard was invited to be present at the commencement for the reason that his great-grandfather on the maternal side belonged to a distinguished family of Bristol merchants. His great-grandfather was born in Bristol in 1709, and subsequently settling in Philadelphia, was mayor of that city, as his father before him had been mayor of Bristol. The Society of Merchant Venturers is one of the surviving mediaeval guilds. During the middle ages it had practical control of the maritime enterprises of the then highly active and progressive city of Bristol. It was while the society was in the fullness of its power that the Cabot expeditions of 1497 and 1498 were made, resulting in the discovery of the North American continent and the pre-emption of the continent for the English-speaking race. Since the society ceased to be a practical agent in the maritime commerce of the world it has devoted its surplus revenues to beneficent objects, one of its creations being the Technical college. As Mr. Bayard is a lineal descendant of an ancient mayor of Bristol and a member of the Merchant Venturers, his presence at yesterday's ceremonies was particularly appropriate. He took luncheon with the council of the Bristol chamber of commerce in the board room of the council. Replying to a toast to the health of the guest of the occasion, Mr. Bayard said that there was much in the hearts of Americans to-day to make them look upon England as their old home. The ties of blood, he said, were thicker than water. Continuing, he expressed the hope that when he returned to America no cloud would obstruct the vision of any just-minded man. Mr. Bayard concluded by declaring his belief that the peace existing between the two English-speaking nations would never be broken. Subsequently Mr. Bayard went to the Technical school, where he was received by the board of directors, the professors, members of the company and the civic officers. The room in which the distribution of the prizes was to take place was crowded. After several addresses had been made to the students Mr. Bayard was introduced, and was received with hearty applause. He made a speech in which he praised the great educational work that was being done by the Society of Merchant Venturers. He said the more the peoples of Great Britain and the United States were educated the less cause there would be for differences. There was not now one cause of difference between the two countries that justice, reason and moderation could not amicably arrange. Mr. Bayard briefly referred to the fact of his being a descendant of one of the old-time Bristol merchants, and then proceeded to distribute the prizes that had been awarded to the successful students, speaking a few words to each prize winner. The ambassador was warmly applauded when he had finished his part in the exercises.

Price of Coal Reduced.

New York, Dec 18.—As a result of the accumulation of anthracite coal at tidewater and at storage points there have, it is said, been some concessions in price. One or two companies which bring large amounts of coal to tidewater have offered coal at reduced prices in order to empty cars. The production of coal for the eleven months ending December 31, which covers the period in which the combination has been in existence, will be a little under 40,000,000 tons, against 42,700,000 tons in the corresponding period in 1895. Production of all kinds for the entire year will be approximately 43,300,000 tons, against 46,000,000 tons last year.

Fourth-class Postmasters.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The following fourth-class postmasters have just been appointed: Connecticut—Miss M. A. Greenelit, Hampton. New York—M. Shults, Marshville; Miss A. F. Campbell, Natural Dam. Pennsylvania—H. W. Bard, Denver; A. B. Minnich, Ebervale; W. A. Pine, Mutual; D. B. Stear, Trade City.

Corbett Signs To Fight.

New York, Dec. 18.—Dan Stuart, the Texan promoter of prize fights, met James Corbett late yesterday afternoon at Taylor's hotel in Jersey City and Corbett signed articles for a fight.

SHARKEY TO GET THE PURSE.

Decision of the 'Frisco Court in the Notorious Prize Fight Case.

San Francisco, Dec. 18.—Glove contests and prize-fights are synony mous. Such is the legal opinion of Judge Sanderson, and in consequence, Thomas Sharkey will get the $10,000 that Fitzsimmons still believes rightfully belongs to him. In rendering the decision Judge Sanderson said that it was the first time the case had been presented to the court, as the former proceedings were to take depositions. The complaint stated that the permit was for a boxing contest. A glance at the dictionary would show the gentlemen that boxing and fighting were synonymous words. If the men were boxing they were fighting. It was elementary law, and if the complaint was true the principals might be indicted, and those who witnessed it were liable to arrest for misdemeanor. The court ordered the injunction dissolved and the complaint stricken from the files of the court. Fitzsimmons, who was in court to hear the decision, went away very much crestfallen. Sharkey was not there. The $10,000 check is still in the possession of the bank, where it will remain until all doubt as to the owner is removed. Manager Lilienthal said he would not pay the money over until advised to do so by his attorneys. Unless some other impediment should present itself the money will probably change hands today.

ENGLAND'S EARTHQUAKE.

The Seismic Disturbance Extended over an Area of Hundreds of Miles.

London, Dec. 18.—The area of yesterday's seismic disturbance was unusually wide, extending hundreds of miles, from London north to Lincoln, thence west to Lancashire, south through Wales to Taunton, and southeast to Southampton, over two hundred towns and villages being affected. There were, however, no fatalities except in the case of the woman who died from fright at Hereford. The telegraph lines were not affected. The attaches at the Greenwich observatory say that the galvanometre, which registers the earth currents, showed a very slight disturbance at the time of the shocks. The authorities at the Stoneyhurst observatory say that their galvanometres showed no indication whatever of a seismic disturbance.

Gov.-elect Black's Visit to New York City.

New York, Dec. 18.—The object of the conference yesterday between Gov.-elect Frank S Black and Gov. Morton at the residence of the latter on Fifth avenue, it is now said, was to arrange about the appointment of railroad commissioners. Gov. Morton is anxious it is stated, that his private secretary, Ashley W Cole, should have a place on the commission. There is a strong rumor afloat that Mr. Black will appoint Mr. Cole in deference to Mr. Morton's wishes. Lou Payne, who, rumor has it, will be the next superintendent of the insurance department was closeted with Mr. Black before his departure for Troy. The governor-elect was reticent about the case of Frederick P Morris, whom he has named as his staff paymaster-general. He said, however, that the case would be considered. It is claimed that Mr Morris is ineligible because of his alleged expulsion from the National Guard, of which he was once a member.

Robert Shoemaker Dead.

Philadelphia, Dec 18.—Robert Shoemaker, vice-president of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and senior member of the firm of Robert Shoemaker & Co., wholesale druggists, of this city, is dead. He was born in Shoemakertown, Pa., in 1817. He was connected with various financial charitable and religious organizations.

Mr. and Mrs. Haig in Paris.

Paris, Dec 18.—Mr. and Mrs Haig, formerly Mrs. J. Coleman Drayton, daughter of Mrs William Astor, who were married in London yesterday, have arrived here on their honeymoon trip.

Death of Charles K. Averill.

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec 18.—Charles K Averill, who is dead at his home here at the age of 84 years, was for many years treasurer of the Housatonic company and for fifteen years treasurer of the Bridgeport Steamboat company.

New York's New District-Attorney.

New York, Dec. 18.—W. M. K. Olcott, appointed district-attorney of New York county by Gov Morton to fill the unexpired term of the late Col. Fellows, was sworn in at 10.30 this morning by Judge Cowing in the general sessions court.

President of Swiss Confederation.

Berne, Dec. 18.—The federal assembly yesterday elected Dr. Adolphe Deucher president of the Swiss confederation for 1897, and E Raffy, the present minister of the interior, vice-president.

Fell Overboard and Was Drowned.

Queenstown, Dec 18.—The White Star line steamer Germanic, from New York, in port here, reports that during the passage Steward Galt fell overboard and was drowned.

HERRMANN'S DEATH

News of the Sad Event a Great Shock to Theatrical Circles.

TAKEN OFF WITHOUT WARNING

Appeared in Good Health When He Boarded His Car at Rochester—Career of the Late Famous Magician.

New York, Dec. 18.—News of the sudden death of Prof. Alexander Herrmann came as a great shock to his many friends in club and theatrical circles in this city. The professor was as well as usual when he left Rochester yesterday, having completed his engagement there Wednesday night. He had passed the night in his private car, which was being drawn to Bradford, Pa., and was in bed when word was sent that medical assistance was required. A telegram was rushed to Great Valley to have a physician in attendance, but before a doctor could get to the car Prof. Herrmann was dead. The car was taken on to Salamanca with the body. It is believed that death was caused by rheumatism of the heart. One of the last acts of Mr. Herrmann was to extend financial assistance to a theatrical company which stranded here last week. He heard of this Wednesday and immediately telephoned to the hotel where the company was stopping to send him the bill and to tell all the members to come and meet him and he would have their railroad tickets to New York ready. This was only one instance of his generosity.

Alexander F. Herrmann, the famous magician, was a German. His father was a celebrated physician in his day and had a very large practice in Paris, where he settled soon after his marriage. Herrmann was born in Paris about fifty years ago. His father was one of the best magicians in Europe, but made no use of his powers in public. Herrmann's eldest brother adopted magic as a profession when a boy and wanted Alexander to act as his assistant. His father objected, and Alexander was kidnapped by his brother and taken to St. Petersburg when he was 11 years old. Within three years he was far more clever than his brother, and at the age of 14 he ceased to act with him, went alone to Spain, and made his debut before the queen. From this time Herrmann was the recognized master of hand magic. He made his first appearance in America at the Academy of Music, New York, about twenty-five years ago, and since then he took out his papers of citizenship and fixed his permanent residence in this country. He made three tours of the world and possessed medals and tokens from the rulers of almost every nation. He spoke Spanish, German, French, Chinese and Russian as well as he did English. He wrote a great deal for newspapers and magazines, built two theatres, was interested in many theatrical ventures and made and lost a great deal of money on Wall street. He always travelled in his own parlor car, and carried from four to five horses in a car built for their accommodation. He owned one of the largest steam yachts in the New York Yacht club and a park and villa on Long Island Sound and belonged to over 100 clubs in Europe and America.

Americans Married Abroad.

London, Dec 18.—Mrs. Helena Ruecker, a widow, was married yesterday to Hans Summerhoff, a widower. Both are residents of New York. The wedding, which was very private, took place at All Saints' church, Knightsbridge. A special license for the marriage was obtained through the Archbishop of Canterbury and Mr Bayard, the American ambassador.

Verdict for Rev. Dr. Hughes.

New York, Dec. 18.—The jury in the case of Rev Dr. Thomas P. Hughes, rector of the Protestant Episcopal church of the Holy Sepulchre, sued by Mary Stavak, 16 years old, for $10,000 damages for alleged improper behavior towards her while she was in the pastor's study, returned a verdict last evening for the defendant.

The Coming Postal Congress.

Rome, Dec. 18.—Dr. Emidio Chiaradia, who represents Pordenone in the chamber of deputies, has been selected to represent Italy at the coming postal congress to be held in Washington. Dr. Chiaradia will be accompanied on his visit to Washington by two officials of the ministay of posts and telegraphs.

Hamburg Dock Strike.

Hamburg, Dec 18.—In consequence of the disturbances here the strikers are prohibited by the police from patrolling the port. Numbers of strikers are seeking to return to work, but the employers refuse to receive them until the strike is ended.

The Bubonic Plague at Bombay.

Bombay, Dec 18.—The official statistics of the bubonic plague in this city show that there have been 1,551 cases and 1,094 deaths from the disease. Over 200,000 persons have fled from the city, and the flight continues daily.

FOR CUBAN FREEDOM

Senate Committee Decides To Report Cameron's Resolution.

CURRENT RUMOR IN WASHINGTON

The Senate Will Not Be in Session Until Monday, When It Is Expected the Subject Will Be Acted Upon.

Washington, Dec. 18.—It is currently reported this morning that the senate committee on foreign relations has decided to order a favorable report on Mr. Cameron's resolution recognizing the independence of the republic of Cuba, and declaring that the United States should use its friendly offices with the government of Spain to bring to a close the war between Spain and Cuba. The report cannot be made to the senate until Monday, the senate not being in session to-day, having adjourned over until Monday. A motion was made in executive session yesterday afternoon to reconsider the vote by which this adjournment was taken, but it was cut off by a motion to adjourn, which prevailed. It appeared to be the desire to hold a session today so the Cuban resolution could be then reported.

DOINGS IN CONGRESS.

Senate Passes the Immigration Bill—Inaugural Matters in the House.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The senate is not in session to-day, having adjourned until Monday. The bill which passed the house of representatives last session, and for which a substitute was reported by the senate committee, to amend the immigration laws of the United States, occupied the senate's attention during nearly the whole of yesterday's session. The substitute was amended in some particulars, the most notable amendment being one providing that the act shall not apply to Cuban refugees during existing troubles in Cuba, and then it was passed by a vote of 52 to 10 and a conference asked with the house. The bill as passed excludes, in addition to those classes excluded under existing laws, all persons over sixteen years of age who cannot read and write their native language, but it does not exclude the wife, child, parent, or grandparent of an admissible immigrant, notwithstanding their inability to read and write.

House of Representatives.

The house set the inaugural ball rolling by the passage of the usual bills authorizing the laying of necessary temporary railroad tracks to accommodate the increased travel, the use of streets and reservations for the erection of reviewing stands and the loan of such government flags and ensigns as can be spared for decorative purposes. The army appropriation bill, which was the unfinished business at the opening of the session, was passed, after the amendment recommended by the committee of the whole, practically abolishing the hospital at Hot Springs, Ark., by cutting off the appropriation for its maintenance, had been agreed to. Half a dozen measures of local interest to the District of Columbia were passed and consideration of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill was begun in committee of the whole. Thirty-one pages of the 110 comprising the bill were disposed of.

An American Adventuress Arrested.

Paris, Dec. 18.—A woman who calls herself the Countess Rossi, but whose real name is not known, has been arrested here charged with burglary in having plundered the villa of Count and Countess Rothe at Neuilly-sur-Seine a mile and a half from Paris, while the owners were sojourning at Monte Carlo. The self-styled countess was born in Detroit, Mich., of French parents. She asserts that she was married to an Italian count named Rossi who is now dead. She has long been known in Paris and elsewhere as an adventuress.

Confirmed by the Senate.

Washington, Dec 18.—The senate has confirmed the following nominations: Mactrane Cove of New York to be minister to Guatemala and Honduras; Charles A. Prouty of Vermont to be interstate commerce commissioner; United States consuls—Isaac M Elliott of New York at La Guayra, Venezuela; Jos. L Hance of New York at Cardenas, Cuba. William H. Cooper, collector of customs for Delaware; Michael I. Fagen, assistant collector of customs at Jersey City, N. J.

Canal Laborers on Strike.

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 18.—A general strike is now on among the laborers employed in this vicinity on improvements to the Erie canal under the $9,000,000 appropriation. What the result of the strike will be no one can foretell. The contractors do not want to pay more than the men are getting on other jobs in this city, and some of the workmen show a very ugly disposition. Trouble is expected.

Plymouth, Mass., Public Building.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Senator Hoar has introduced a bill appropriating $75,000 for a public building at Plymouth, Mass.

50,000 ORPHAN CHILDREN.

The Recent Armenian Massacres Leave the Christian World a Serious Problem.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Fifty thousand Armenian children made orphans by the Turkish massacres, is the official estimate received at the state department from United States Consul Bergholtz at Erzeroum. A report just received from the consul shows that the missions are considering means of relief, and that the British government contemplates sending widows and their children to Cyprus. "The question of what shall be done with these 50,000 orphans is receiving the attention of the christian world. The American board of commissioners for foreign missions is giving the matter serious thought," says Consul Bergholtz, "As far as I am aware the board has formulated no general plan of relief, although the question of creating orphanages, clothing factories and industrial institutions is under consideration. German charitable or religious societies are preparing to establish industrial orphan asylums at Oorpha, Cesarea and elsewhere, and the Kaiserswerth Deaconesses of Germany had made provision for receiving Armenian orphans, and thirty have been sent there from here. The British government or its ambassador at Constantinople has initiated a movement leading towards settling a number of widows and their children on the island of Cyprus, more particularly at present, at least those within the province of Erzeroum, which number in the cities of Erzeroum, Ersignan and Baibourt 2,049, who are without means and are recipients of relief. In Erzeroum there are 150 widows, with 700 children; in Ersignan, 100 widows, with 450 children, and in Baibourt, 110 widows and 500 children."

FOR $100,000 DAMAGES.

James Crossley Sues the Newark Fidelity Title and Deposit Company.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 18.—James E. Crossley, formerly of Barre, Mass., now of East Orange, N. J., has begun a suit for $100,000 damages against the Fidelity Title & Deposit company of this city for alleged defamation of character, and a prosecution of Henry A. Jansen, agent of the company, for criminal libel. Crossley was appointed guardian of the estate of Miss C. Victoria Peddie, daughter of the late millionaire trunk manufacturer. He neglected to qualify and Judge Kirkpatrick revoked the order and appointed the Fidelity company as guardian. Miss Peddie appealed and the company sent Jansen to Barre to look up Mr Crossley. He reported that Crossley's reputation was bad. This report was placed in an affidavit and presented in court. The case is under advisement before Chancellor McGill, before whom recently the New York Surety company refused to surrender $80,000 in bonds held as security against the late Thomas B Crossley, James' brother, who formerly was Miss Peddie's guardian.

Colors for the Marblehead.

New York Dec 18.—The United States cruiser Marblehead was presented late yesterday afternoon with a large silken American flag and several smaller ones, the gift of the citizens of Marblehead, the Bay state town in whose honor the man-of-war was named. The presentation took place aboard ship at the Brooklyn navy yard, where the cruiser is making ready preparatory to joining Admiral Bunce's north Atlantic squadron for the winter cruise.

More Boston Terminal Company Bonds.

Boston, Dec. 18.—Samuel Hoar came before the board of railroad commissioners yesterday afternoon to ask for the approval of $2,000,000 worth more of bonds for the benefit of the Boston Terminal company, which is building the great Southern Union station. This sum, together with the bonds already issued would make the maximum cost of the station and approaches about $9,000,000.

Kicked Out of Jail.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec 18.—The grand jury at Fort Smith, Ark., having failed to indict George Erb, the self-confessed poisoner of Edward Nutter at Fort Smith, who has been in jail here since last week, he will be discharged from prison to-day. Sheriff Bagg wired from Fort Smith to release Erb, who is rather disappointed at the turn of events.

Appointed Railroad Commissioner.

Albany, Dec 18.—Gov. Morton has appointed Frank I Baker of Addison a railroad commissioner in place of Michael Rickard, deceased. Mr Baker is a practical railroad man, and at present is the general superintendent of the Addison & Pennsylvania railroad.

For a Statue of James G. Blaine.

Washington, Dec 18.—Mr Bull, rep., R. I., has introduced in the house a bill appropriating $50,000 for the erection of a statue of James G. Blaine in the city of Washington.

Commander Reynolds To Resign.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 18.—Commander E. V. Reynolds of the Connecticut Naval Militia has announced his intention to resign that position.

CAN'T FIND REBELS

Spaniards Say Maceo's Death Has Disorganized Them.

HAVANA STORIES ARE NOT RELIABLE

Believed That the Insurgents Are To Concentrate in Santa Clara Province.

The Queen Regent Compliments Gen. Weyler.

Havana, Dec. 18.—The bulletins issued by the government regarding engagements of the troops are unimportant. A correspondent at Guanajay reports that the forces under Major Lacosta have captured at Mosquito beach a Spanish deserter who belonged to the Alfonso XIII. battalion. The prisoner says that he was forced to join Maceo's forces in Pinar del Rio. He repeats the story that Maceo did not cross the trocha on land, but went by sea around the northern end of it. After landing in the province of Havana Maceo met the forces of Lieut. Vasquez, who was waiting at Mosquito beach, between Mariel and Banes. The prisoner complains that he was ill-treated by the rebels. His story is suspicious, and he will be tried by a court-martial. The queen regent has sent a dispatch to Capt.-Gen. Weyler complimenting him upon the result of his campaign against the insurgents. Advices from the province of Pinar del Rio are to the effect that several Spanish battalions have penetrated to the interior of the hills there in places that were considered impregnable by the rebels. The insurgents had disappeared, so the troops burned the huts that had been occupied by them. A number of horses and cattle were captured. The officers commanding in Pinar del Rio have no idea of the present locality of the rebels in that province. Scouting parties have failed to learn their whereabouts, but the military profess to believe that their abandonment of almost unassailable positions is proof of the disorganization that has followed the death of Maceo. Indications point to rebel parties having entered the province of Matanzas. Their trails show the direction in which they have gone, and a Spanish column is following their track. It is believed that a concentration is intended in Santa Clara province of rebels from the east and west. The government says it is watching the movement, and so far as can be gathered from outside sources it is doing little besides watching to prevent the rebels from carrying out their plan. A colored woman named Francisa Herrera has been tried by courtmartial here on a charge of rebellion. The prosecutor asked that she be sentenced to death. The sentence of the courtmartial, if it has been passed, has not been made public.

Couldn't Find the Three Friends.

Key West, Fla., Dec 18.—The cruiser Raleigh has returned from her chase after the Three Friends. It is reported that they did not see anything of her. It is said on good authority that a small boat landed at this port from the Three Friends last evening.

M'KINLEY'S CHICAGO VISIT.

The President-Elect and Wife To Spend To-night at the Dawes Residence.

Chicago, Dec 18.—Major and Mrs. McKinley went out for a short drive again this morning. The president-elect says that his wife is better than she has been at any time since her recent attack of the grippe. Major and Mrs McKinley have no plans to-day beyond a trip to Evanston this afternoon to spend the night with Mr and Mrs. Charles G Dawes. Judge and Mrs H R Dey of Canton will also be the guests of Mr and Mrs Dawes. Major McKinley's most notable caller yesterday afternoon was Joseph Medill, editor of the Chicago Tribune. Mr Medill discussed tariff legislation, and said he was opposed to an extreme measure. Major McKinley wants a moderate bill, which will be so fair and satisfactory that it will stand for a dozen years or more. The distinguished visitor informed a representative of the Chicago Press club that if he was in the city to-morrow night he would attend the Carlisle Indian-Wisconsin university football game.

Pronounces the Report False.

Albany, Dec 18.—State Excise Commissioner Lyman pronounces false the article published in several newspapers purporting to be an abstract of his forthcoming first annual report to the governor. The article dealt largely with the statistical portion of the report, of which the commissioner says he has not yet written a word, as the department experts are now at work upon the fiscal portion of it. He says that many of the figures are wrong and others a rehash of statistics which were published weeks ago.

Lasker-Steinitz Chess Match.

Moscow, Dec. 17.—The eleventh game of the championship chess match between Steinitz and Lasker, a queen's gambit declined, was won by Lasker after sixty-six moves. Present score—Lasker, 7; Steinitz, 0; drawn, 4.

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One of the mineralogical experts of a large mining company recently returned to New York after an extended trip through the south in the interest of his organization, and, in speaking about the mineral resources of the southern states, he said:

"I have passed through nearly all the mining sections of the south to examine the mineral products of the interests of a number of capitalists, and, after a careful survey of the field, it is my honest belief that the future mining operations of this country will be in the south, instead of the west. I found the Appalachian range particularly rich in all the auriferous and argentiferous ores, not only in Virginia, but throughout the whole length into Alabama. In Georgia the rich deposits are well known, and companies are now rapidly organizing to mine the various ores. In South Carolina the deposits of monazite (crystals of a rare metal known as cerium, used only in chemistry, and worth $160 an ounce) have been found so valuable that a big industry has been built up in the Piedmont section. It is estimated that this industry is now valued at several millions of dollars, although it is only a few years old. When I visited the fields everybody was looking for monazite, and the business will bring in at least $100,000 to the people of the Piedmont section this year. Owners of apparently worthless land have let it out to contractors at the rate of $200 an acre, and these miners make big profits besides A few years ago the owners would have been glad to have received three or four dollars per acre for this land.

"There is more gold in the south than any man ever imagined. Traces of it crop up in the most unexpected places, and there must be some valuable veins hidden away in the mountains that will some day be discovered and startle the country. Cripple Creek will be nothing to the southern gold fields after they have once been located. It seems strange, but the fact is nevertheless true, that the south has never been thoroughly examined for mineral and gold products. Before the war everybody went west to find gold, and the south was given over to cotton, tobacco, sugar and rice After the war closed nothing was done for a long time to develop the industries of the southern states, but now we are beginning to realize that a great, undeveloped field spreads out before us. There are scores of gold prospectors traveling through the mountains of the south, looking for the treasures that are sure to come to light some day. People speak about the future supply of gold being found in Africa! Why, more gold is buried in the Appalachian range of mountains than they will find in Africa in the next 100 years. But the mountains are so vast, and the region so little known, that it will take time to locate the best mines even after the prospectors have been attracted to the place.

"Another thing about the southern mines is that many of the most precious stones have been picked up at various points, and where such jewels are spread out on the surface you can rest assured that there are others further down under the ground. For instance, at Corundum Hill some beautiful sapphires have been found. Here are some that I secured from a miner. They were not mining for sapphires, but happened to pick them up while mining for ores. Over 100 sapphires have been found at this place, and most of them are valued at $50 to $100 and upward.

"The fact is that we have a country capable of producing all the precious stones known to science, but so much attention has been given to the mining of iron, coal, oil, silver and gold that the more precious products of the rocks have been neglected I remember distinctly in California, when the gold fever was at its height, miners threw up several fairly good specimens of diamonds, but in their craze for the yellow metal they paid no attention to the precious stones. They knew all about gold mining, but nothing about diamonds. Now that the gold fields have been exhausted, I guess many of them wish they had stopped and pocketed some of the precious stones they threw away

"If we made as thorough preparation for diamond mining as they do in South Africa, we would find this country much richer in materials than anybody anticipates A company has recently been organized to develope the mines of precious stones in the south, and it has a number of agents in the field making examinations They will include in their work all of the precious stones, diamonds, emeralds, sapphires, beryls, garnets and every other gem of any value. They will be provided with the proper machinery, and not with coal and gold mining implements. It is all wrong to suppose that a coal or gold miner would unearth the precious stones if they happened to be in the mountains The precious stones are not always found where the gold and coal fields are located. It needs distinct machinery and methods, and this is the only way that we can ever hope to develop the gem resources of this country. The company which I have been traveling for has already made negotiations for large tracts of mineral land along the Appalachian system, and it will make immediate efforts to develop the mines I have no doubt but they will strike many unexpected fields of precious gems, and the country will get a new idea of the resources of the mines of the south."—Philadelphia Times.

—The little island of Malta has a language of its own, derived from the Carthaginian and Arabian tongues. The soldiers of the island speak Italian.

PETROLEUM FOR FUEL.

How It Is Being Used in the United States Navy.

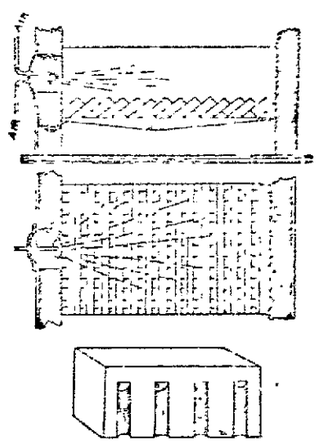
An Important Problem Which Now Seems to Be Very Near Solution—Advantages Claimed for a New Invention.

According to a report just made by a board of chief engineers, United States navy, the ancient problem of using crude petroleum instead of coal as fuel for vessels is very near solution, if not already solved.

Experiments have been in progress for more than a year, chiefly in the Hudson river, with torpedo boat No 2, belonging to the Maine. They have resulted so happily that the engineers have made a report favoring the adoption of the fuel under given conditions upon certain minor craft, such as tug boats and torpedo boats. If the results foreshadowed in this report shall be realized a revolution is at hand in the fuel for war ships and all ocean-going craft.

The experimental board of naval engineers consists of Chief Engineer H. S. Ross, of the Massachusetts, and Chief Engineers Lewis J. Allen and George Currier, Jr. They were designated about a year ago by Chief Engineer G. W. Melville, engineer in chief of the bureau of steam engineering, United States navy, to experiment with an invention submitted by J. S. Zerbe, chief engineer of the Consolidated Gas company. They have submitted the apparatus to the severest possible test.

The tests of a new fuel for steam vessels are cheapness, ease of operation, economy of room and general efficiency. The board reports favorably upon the Zerbe apparatus in respect of all these points. The evaporation was found to be 17, 18, 19 and 20 pounds of water, at



HOW THE OIL IS SPRAYED.

various pressures, to one pound of oil or more than double that of the best coal with the same boiler. The pressure of steam was constant, which means economy of fuel and equalization of pressure upon the machinery. There were no ashes nor dirt to injure the fine mechanism, and no stokers were required. The fuel can be put on board at sea.

Other important advantages are claimed for the new device. It is said to be as safe as coal and to occupy so much less room that a vessel having a steaming radius of 1,000 miles with coal would be able to steam 2,000 miles with the same bulk of petroleum. The waste space now devoted to water ballast forms, it is said, a perfect petroleum bunker, to be reoccupied by water as the oil is consumed. For the commercial marine this would mean a cubic foot available for freight for every cubic foot of coal bunking space saved.

The equipment of the fire box constitutes the most important departure in the new invention. The grate bars of the ordinary furnace are utilized for the purpose of forming thereon a brick bed. This bed is composed of bricks which have grooves partially across one face. They are laid on the grate bars at an angle of 45 degrees, thereby forming air ducts over the entire surface of the bed and also making a corrugated surface.

Instead of injecting the oil through round injectors a fan-shaped spray is distributed over this foraminous bed, which bursts into flame on striking the bed, heating up the latter to incandescence. The air pressing through the grooves and uniting with the carbonic gases generated by the contact of the oil spray with the heated brick makes a perfect oxy-hydrogen flame.

For injecting the oil and breaking it up compressed air is utilized.

Dog Feeds a Bovine Chum.

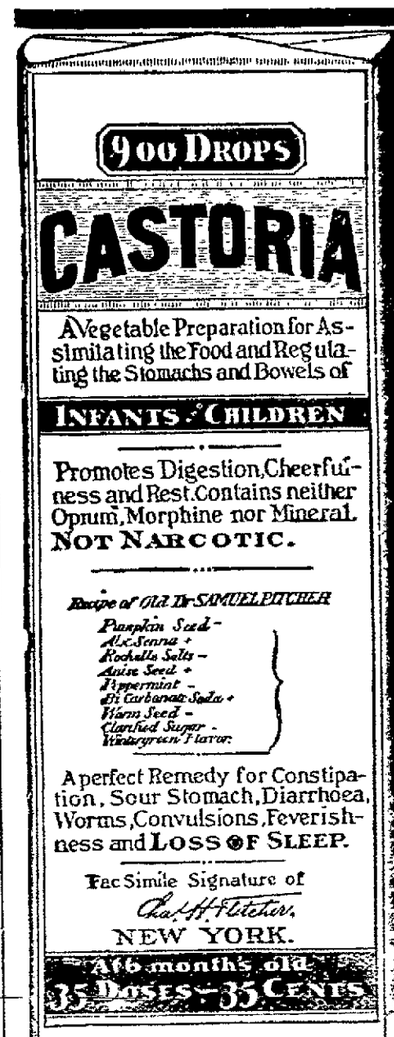
A gentleman living in Bangor, Me., tells in an exchange a story about a little dog which he owns that illustrates again the devoted friendship often noticed to exist between dumb animals. He owns a cow as well, and the dog and cow are great friends. Not long ago the cow was sick, and the owner thought best to keep her grain from her for a time. The dog, however, did not approve this, not understanding it, and decided to attend to his friend's wants himself, as his owner discovered one day when he entered the stable by chance. There was Master Doggie in the act of giving Boss her meal, which he did by filling his mouth as full as he could carry it from the barrel where the fodder was kept, and dropping it in front of the cow, who was eating with relish the food she had much missed.

Iron and Wooden Ships.

Mathematical calculations show that an iron ship weighs 27 per cent. less than a wooden one, and will carry 115 tons of cargo for every 100 tons carried by a wooden ship of the same dimensions and both loaded to the same draught of water.

Prevention of Weeds.

A thick sprinkling of sawdust under gravel on garden walks will prevent weeds growing.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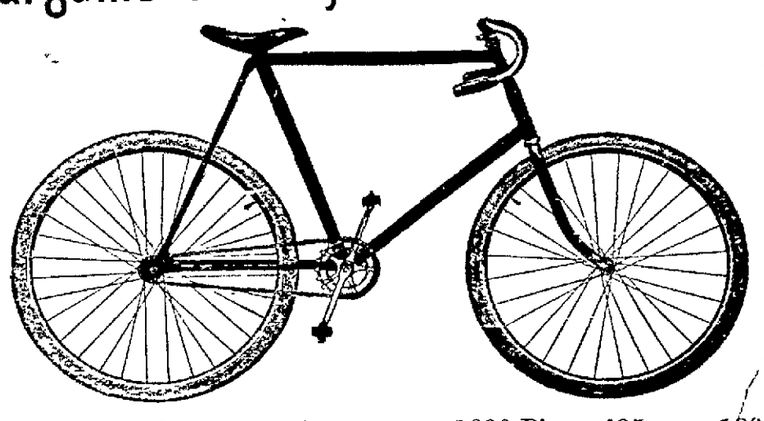

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WURTSBORO.

St. Joseph's Annual Fair—Cleaning the Canal—Many Personal and Local Notes

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The annual fair of St. Joseph's Church will be held at the Dorrance Hall, Dec. 25, 26, 29, 30, 31 and ending with a grand ball New Year's night. Dancing every evening and refreshments served. A general invitation is extended.

—A large force of men is engaged in cleaning the canal below the lead mines.

—Rev. Mr. Opdyke, of Trenton, N. J., preached in the Reformed Church, Sunday afternoon.

—The Misses King, of Bloomingburgh, spent Saturday in town.

—G. H. Olcott is steadily improving.

—As your correspondent has more time nowadays to write the news. Please hand in your items by Monday.

—Benedict's marble works have completed a handsome job for the Holley family, Bloomingburgh.

—Chester A. Stanton is doing a big business in manufacturing hoops.

—Fulton & Holmes will begin hauling wood to the canal Jan. 1.

—E. M. Westfall in returning from his western trip stopped over Friday night here.

—Miss Hattie Benedict, of Stamford, Conn., is visiting her parents here.

—Harry Brown, politician, was in town last week.

—Miss Jennie Page, of Springfield, Mass., is visiting her parents here.

—Miss Mollie McCune is in New York visiting friends.

—A. Reiner and wife have returned from New York.

—James Reed is putting storm windows on his cottage.

BLOOMINGBURGH.

Crusade Day—Trying to Get a Traveling Library—Other Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Crusade Day was observed here by the W. C. T. U., Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was held in the chapel. The services were very interesting. Addresses were made by Revs. Kerr and Stillwell and papers were read by several of the ladies.

—Some of our people are trying to secure one of free public traveling libraries furnished by the State. This would be a grand thing for the place and we hope they may succeed.

—The W. C. T. U. will hold their regular meeting at the Ed. Mills', Tuesday afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

—The C. E. topic for Sunday evening, Dec. 20th, is "Joys that were born into the world with Christ" found in Luke ii: 8-20. Leader Mrs. T. M. Low. A Christmas song service suggested.

—Miss Sarah Bull and Mrs. Crawford have gone to Hopewell to see their sister, Mrs. R. M. Crosby, who is very sick.

—Chas. Wilbur has moved in part of U. D. Wakeman's house.

GREENVILLE.

Christmas Entertainment—Getting Better—Personal Notes.

Correspondence of ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The young people of Greenville are preparing for a Christmas entertainment to be held in the M. E. Church on Christmas Eve.

—We are glad to note that Mrs. W. F. Cook, who has been ill for some time, is improving slowly under the treatment of Dr. Evans, of Westtown.

—Mrs. Hazen, of Sparrowbush, spent a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Chas. VanKeuren, last week.

—Henry Simpson, of this village, is attending court at Goshen as a juror this week.

—Miss Lulu Courtright, of near Quarryville, visited her aunt, Mrs. Alice McGill, of this place, last week.

WESTTOWN.

Christmas Entertainment.

Correspondence of ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The M. E. Sunday School will give its entertainment, consisting of music, dialogues and recitations, in the church on Christmas eve, Dec. 24. A small admittance will be charged, for Santa Claus is coming.

The True Remedy.

W. M. Repine, editor Tiskilwa, Ill., "Chief," says: "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Experimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and sure cure for Coughs, Colds, Whooping Cough, etc." It is idle to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on you as just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery. They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. Trial bottles free at McMonagle & Rogers' Drug Store.

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Dr. Miles' Nerve Plasters for Rheumatism.

IMPROVING IN MANNERS.

English Customs Getting a Strong Foothold in Eastern Cities.

The English club manner is gradually becoming adopted by the New York, Boston and Washington young clubmen, along with English-built clothes. The new departure, in deportment, says the Washington Post, is quiet, natural, frank and simple—a great improvement on the loudness which marked the demeanor of clubmen 40 years ago. Our young fellows have gone in for English ways, have not only appropriated British fashion in clothes, but have developed athletic and manly sporting tastes, while "tubbing" is more the custom. When, then, with the bath, the ride to hounds, plenty of outdoor exercise, hunting, shooting expeditions, and the sensible clothes of everyday wear, the race of young fellows is a decided improvement on the hard-drinking, dueling, security-going grandfathers, who loathed athletics and games of all sorts, except poker, and sought excitement in an occasional fox hunt and were not happy until they had been out on "the field of honor" several times and "bagged" their man.

Already a wail begins to go up in society as to where the men are to come from who can be counted upon to insure the buds a good time. The young fellows who have been facetiously dubbed "the geography class" by some club wag are not quite old enough to don the toga virilis, and yet too big to wear knickerbockers. The society of mammas, in a quandary, seriously think of making an appeal to Secretaries Herbert and Lamont to find something in the way of duty here for the dancing young army and navy men and thus relieve the pressure.

CLIMBING ELEPHANTS.

Able to Go Up and Down Mountains When Mules Cannot.

Elephants are able to make their way up and down mountains and through a country of steep cliffs, where mules would not dare to venture, and even where men find passage difficult. Their tracks have been found upon the very summmits of mountains over 7,000 feet high. In these journeys an elephant is often compelled to descend hills and mountain sides which are almost precipitous. This is the way it is done:

The elephant's first maneuver is to kneel down close to the declivity. One foreleg is then cautiously passed over the edge and a short way down the slope, and if he finds there is no good spot for a firm foothold, he speedily forms one by stamping into the soil, if it is moist, or kicking out a foothold if it is dry. When he is sure of a good foothold the other foreleg is brought down in the same way. Then he performs the same work over again with his feet, bringing both forelegs a little in advance for the first foothold. This leaves good places already made for the hind feet. Now, bracing himself up by his huge, strong forelegs, he draws his hind legs, first one and then the other, carefully over the edge, where they occupy the first places made by the forefeet. This is the way the huge animal proceeds all the way down, zigzag, kneeling with his forefeet. Thus, the center of gravity is preserved, and the huge beast is prevented from toppling over on his nose.

FINANCIAL REVERSES.

Disappointment of an Investor Who Overworked the Market.

They had been talking about trusts and the immense profit realized by capital, says the Washington Star.

"A man is never satisfied, however big the returns may be," remarked the man with the patient expression.

"Yes," said the plump-looking citizen with a meerschaum cigar holder; "no matter what a person achieves, he is always haunted by the thought that he might have done better. The trouble about making money rapidly is that a man fails to be content with a fair percentage of gain on his investment."

"I have a friend who is exactly that way. He turns up his nose at a mere hundred per cent. or so."

"He must be a plunger."

"No; he's a conservative investor."

"What does he handle?"

"Well, you might call them government obligations."

"He must have a new kind of a good thing."

"He used to have. But he's lost me. And it's positively depressing to read what he says because the two-cent stamp he recently bought to put on a letter to me didn't realize the usual dividend of five dollars."

A Siberian March.

A remarkable march of 4,700 miles across Siberia, occupying almost a year, has just been completed by two Russian battalions of line infantry and two batteries of artillery, which lately reached their camp on the Amur. The troops marched 4,000 versts by land and made their way for 3,000 versts by water, half the distance on rafts constructed by themselves. Their losses were 6 men dead, 27 left behind in hospitals and 29 horses. The others arrived in good condition and excellent spirits.

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"Excuse me," observed the man in spectacles, "but I am a surgeon, and that is not where the liver is." "Never you mind where his liver is," retorted the other. "If it was in his big toe or his left ear DeWitt's Little Early Risers would reach it and shake it for him. On that you can bet your gig-lamps." W. D. Olney.

THE OLD LAWYER.

Depew Says What He Ought to Be to the Community.

I know of no more charming member of the community than the old lawyer, says Chauncey Depew. I studied with a judge who, as I left his office, had completed the 86th year of his life and the 65th year of his practice. The old lawyer is the custodian of the secrets of the community. If he has been true to his profession, and to his best instincts and teachings, he has been the benefactor of the village or the town or the county in which he has spent his life. He has settled family disputes, he has reconciled heirs to the provisions of wills, he has adjusted satisfactorily to all and to the prevention of family feuds the distribution of estates, he has prevented neighborhood vendettas on boundary lines, he has brought old-time enmities into cordial friendships, he has made clients and money by being honest, faithful and true. The secrets of his register, of his safe and of his memory are the skeletons of the family closets of the whole neighborhood. But the process of modern cremation does not more perfectly destroy the human frame than does this lawyer's fidelity to his oath keep out of sight these family skeletons.

Father Macdonald Awarded Six Cents.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 18.—The libel suit of Father Macdonald against the Brooklyn Eagle has been concluded, the jury rendering a verdict for the plaintiff of six cents. The libel consisted of charges contained in an article published in the Eagle accusing the clergyman of unpriestly conduct while sojourning in Washington in a clerical capacity.

Receiver for Tattersalls.

New York, Dec. 18.—Justice Truax of the supreme court has appointed Julius F. Workum receiver for Tattersall's of New York (limited) in an action for voluntary dissolution brought by the stockholders. The liabilities are $20,000, and the assets about $11,000.

Her 101st Birthday Anniversary.

West Concord, Vt., Dec. 18.—Mrs. S. S. Tenney, who yesterday celebrated her 101st birthday anniversary, was the first woman settler in West Concord. She is in excellent health.

National Home for Colored People.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The senate committee on education and labor has reported favorably appropriating $100,000 for the establishment in the city of Washington of a national home for aged and infirm colored people.

American Corn for India.

Philadelphia, Dec. 18.—The first cargo of corn which has ever been shipped from this country to India will arrive there some time next week on German steamer Remus.

Japan's Public Story Teller.

Public story tellers still earn a good livelihood in Japan. In Tokio alone 600 of them ply their trade, provided with a small table, a fan and a paper rapper to illustrate and emphasize the points of their tales.

Yale University Closed.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 18.—The semi-final examinations at Yale having ended, the university has closed in every department until Jan. 7. Not more than 300 undergraduates will remain in the city during the holidays.

Naval News.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The cruiser Marion has arrived at La Libertad. The gunboat Petrel was yesterday placed in commission at the Mare Island navy yard.

Viscomte Aguste Margon Dead.

Paris, Dec. 18.—Viscomte Auguste Margon, the dramatist, is dead.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Wheat—Spot steady and active. Dec., 86⅝c.; May, 84⅝c.

Corn—Spot is steady, but lower. Dec., 28¾c.; May, 31¼c.

Oats—Market is dull, but steady. Dec., 22½c.; May, 24¼c.

Lard—Steady; moderate demand. Prime western, $4.15.

Pork—Market easy; fair demand. Extra prime, nominal; short clear, $9.00@10.50; mess, $8.25@8.75; family, $10.00@10.75.

Eggs—Market remains stationary. State and Pennsylvania, fresh, 20@22c.; ice house, 15@17c.; western, fresh, 20@21c.; limed, 15@16; southern, 17½@18.

Butter—Market remains unchanged. Creamery western extras, 23c.; state and Pennsylvania, extras, 19@23½c.; creamery, western seconds, 18c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fresh factory, 13c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fall made extras, 19½@20c.; western imitation creamery, seconds to firsts, 11@17c.; western factory, firsts to extras, 8½@11c.

Cheese—Steady; active. State, full cream, large size, fall made, colored, 10½c.; large, common to choice, part skims, 3½@7c.

Potatoes—Moderate demand; steady. Long Island, in bulk, per barrel, $1.25@1.37; New Jersey, round, choice, per barrel, $1.00@1.12.

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ORANGE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, GOSHEN, N. Y., Dec. 9, 1896.

Notice is hereby given that a panel of Grand and Petit Jurors, to serve at a Trial Term of the Supreme Court, to be held in and for the county of Orange, at the Court House, in Goshen, on the first Monday of January, 1897, will be drawn at this office, on Thursday, Dec. 17, 1896, at 9 o'clock a. m.

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IN pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the County of Orange notice is hereby given according to law to all persons having claims against the estate of William H. Woodruff, late of the town of Crawford, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, the administratrix and administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at the residence of the administratrix, Antionette A. Woodruff, in the town of Crawford, aforesaid, that place of transacting business of said estate on or before the 18th day of June, 1897.

Dated December 10th, 1896.

ANTOINETTE A. WOODRUFF, administratrix. RICHARD A. WOODRUFF, administrator.

JOHN C. R. TAYLOR, attorney for administrators, Rooms 5 and 6 Low Building, Middletown, N. Y. d7thur,toJun17

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A. VANNEST POWELSON, Assignee, Middletown, N. Y.

GEO. H. DECKER, Attorney for Assignee, Middletown, N. Y. dMo7tJan4

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FRIDAY, DEC. 18, 1896

Although not a single city in Massachusetts gave a Democratic majority in November, the Democrats at the charter elections held this month have carried nine of the leading cities of the State, including Boston, Worcester and Lowell. There is a deal of vitality in the Democratic party and the rapidity with which it is pulling itself together after the November knock-out is full of encouragement for the future.

A BOARDING HOUSE ON FIRE.

A Stubborn Fire at 277 North Street—The House Very Badly Damaged—A Pocketbook Containing $110 Lost.

The dwelling at No. 277 North street, owned by Mrs. John Fallon and occupied by her daughter, Mrs. John Poole, as a boarding house, was badly damaged by fire and water shortly before midnight, last night.

The fire was first discovered by one of the boarders, Frank Burhans, who was awakened by a cracking noise, which seemed to come from the side walls of the building. The walls and floor were very hot and he was soon convinced that a fire was raging in the siding.

Several others in the house were awakened and an alarm was sent in from box 15 by James B. Gillen. Some one else ran to box 16 and the alarm from the corner box had hardly ceased ringing when 16 was sounded, thereby calling out all the fire companies.

The fire was a stubborn and difficult one to fight and was not extinguished until the house was thoroughly soaked with water.

Mrs. Poole had a pocketbook containing $110, money which had been paid to her by her boarders this week, and this was lost during the excitement, last night.

How the fire started is something of a mystery but it is thought that it must have originated from a defective flue.

The dwelling was insured for $2,000 and the furniture for $1,100 with Case & Taylor.

A "BIRTHDAY SOCIAL."

Very Successful Entertainment by the Junior C. E. Society of the Second Presbyterian Church.

The Junior C. E. Society of the Second Presbyterian Church gave a very pleasant evening to their older friends in the church, as well as to the children, last evening, at their "Birthday Social."

The following attractive programme was rendered by the children who were aided in filling it out by a few of their elders.

Piano solo	Florence Brewster
Recitation	Claude Lindsey
Medley—(By four little girls) Ethel Reed, Cora Redfield, Rodgers	Della and Edna
Piano solo	Cora Miller
Trio	
Irene Dolson, Bessie Shimer, Jessie Ahrig	
Cornet solo	John Gordon
Reading—"Tom the Winds Christmas Carol"	
Sadie Couch	
Song	Claudel Lindsey
Sash drill	
Gussie Van Duzer leader, Annie Van Duzer, Edna Rodgers, Della Rodgers, Cora Redfield, Ethel Reed	
Song	
Della Rodgers, Lawrence Knapp	
Piano solo	Mary Wallace

After the programme the Juniors served their guests with cake and lemonade. One of the pleasant features of the evening was a spectacular entertainment called the "Brownies' skating Rink, which was enjoyed by both old and young.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE Commission Broker, Stern Building 16 North street Middletown, N. Y.
Stocks Bonds Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

	NEW YORK Dec 18 '96. Yesterday Close	To-day Close
Sugar	112⅞	109
Tobacco	76⅝	74⅝
Chicago Gas	74¼	70⅝
Nat Lead	——	23½
General Electric	42⅝	39
P S L pref	69½	68
Tenn Coal and Iron	26⅝	24⅝
A T & S F	13⅞	12⅝
C B & Q	74⅞	69¼
C M & St P	75⅛	70⅝
R I	68¼	61
D L & W	——	155
C of N J	103⅝	101
Erie	——	14
D and H	125½	121⅝
O & W	14⅝	14
Susquehanna & Western	——	——
Susquehanna & West pref	——	——
P & R	27⅝	21⅝
N W	103¼	100
L S	134½	132⅝
K & T C	——	9⅝
M P	20⅝	18
Texas	——	9⅛
U P	9½	8½
W Union	86	81½
L & N	19½	17⅝
Manhattan	91⅜	87⅝
P M	24⅝	22½
Wabash, pref	16⅝	14½
No Pacific, pref	——	22
W L	8	7⅜
Southern R'y	——	——
Southern, pref	27⅝	24½
May Wheat	80⅝	79½
May Corn	25½	25⅝
May Oats	20⅛	20
Jan Pork	$7 65	$7 60
Jan Lard	3 82	3 82

MARRIED.

TOMPKINS—MILLER—In this city, Dec 17th, '96 by Rev Frank A Heath, James C Tompkins and Daisy May Miller, both of Middletown.

BROME.—DORMAN—Dec 16th, 96, by Elder Benton Jenkins Thomas M Brome of Denton, and Mary J Dorman, of Summitville.

DIED.

GBEL—In this city Dec 17th, '96 Hattie M, wife of Clarence L Gbel aged thirty-two years nine months, eight days.

Funeral Sunday afternoon from her late residence No 44 Watkins avenue at two thirty o'clock. Interment in family plot Hillside Cemetery.

Monthly Pains cured by Dr. Miles' Pain Pills.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

"JOHNNY, GET YOUR GUN! GUN!!"

Unanimous Vote of Senate Foreign Relations Committee in Favor of Recognizing Cuba Independence.

BY UNITED PRESS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations met at 10:30 o'clock. Secretary Olney appeared before it and gave the committee orally such information as he could about the Cuban situation.

The committee by a unanimous vote ordered a favorable report on Senator Cameron's resolution recognizing the independence of Cuba and offering our friendly offices to bring the war to a close.

THE LAW'S PENALTIES IMPOSED

Judge Beattie Sentences Prisoners Convicted at This Term of Court—District Attorney Powelson's Good Record—No Civil Cases Tried.

Judge Beattie, yesterday afternoon, sentenced the prisoners convicted or who pleaded guilty at this term of court, as follows:

John H. Showers, burglary in second degree, Sing Sing for five years.

Wm Seeley, burglary second degree, Sing Sing, for five years.

David F. Tremper, burglary third degree, Elmira Reformatory for an indefinite period.

Henry A. J. Laird, burglary third degree, Sing Sing for two years.

Harry Heady, assault in second degree with intent to ravish, Sing Sing for five years.

Stephen Gregory, burglary in third degree, Albany Penitentiary for one year.

Henry Barnes, seventy-eight years old, grand larceny second degree, Sing Sing for five years.

Charles Stevens, indicted for assault in the second degree, found guilty of assault in the third degree, Albany Penitentiary for one year.

Charles Stewart, burglary third degree, Sing Sing for five years.

Samuel O'Harra, indicted for assault in first degree, pleaded guilty to assault in third degree. Sentence suspended.

Harry Davis pleaded guilty to forgery in third degree. Sentence suspended.

The prisoners will be taken to the various prisons, to-morrow.

Out of twenty-eight cases in which indictments were moved for trial, twenty-seven have either been convicted or pleaded guilty, which is certainly a good showing for the new District Attorney Mr Powelson.

None of the civil cases were ready for trial, this morning, and Judge Beattie promptly adjourned Court.

IT CAN'T BE DONE.

No One Can Remain Well, No Chronic Disease Can Be Cured Unless the Stomach is First Made Strong and Vigorous.

This is plain because every organ in the body depends on the stomach for its nourishment. Nerve, bone, sinew, blood are made from the food which the stomach converts to our use.

How useless to treat disease with this, that and the other remedy and neglect the most important of all, the stomach.

The earliest symptoms of indigestion are sour risings, bad taste in the mouth, gas in stomach and bowels, palpitation, all-gone feeling, faintness, headaches, constipation, later comes loss of flesh, consumption, liver and heart troubles, kidney diseases, nervous prostration, all of which are the indirect result of poor nutrition.

Any person suffering from indigestion should make it a practice to take after each meal one of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, allowing it to dissolve in the mouth and thus mingle with the saliva and enter the stomach in the most natural way. These Tablets are highly recommended by Dr Jennison because they are composed of the natural digestive acids and fruit essences which assist the stomach in digesting all wholesome food before it has time to ferment and sour.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are sold by druggists, full sized packages at 50 cents. They are also excellent for invalids and children. A book on stomach diseases and thousands of testimonials of genuine cures sent free by addressing Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

O. and W.'s Holiday Excursion.

On Monday, Dec. 21st, the O. and W. will sell excursion tickets to New York good on any train going during the day at $1 86 for round trip. Trains leave Middletown at 8 10 a. m., 4.30 and 8.10 p. m. Tickets will be good for return passage on any train or day up to and including Dec 26th. The O. and W. desires to accommodate the public and give you a chance to spend Christmas with your city cousins. The Commercial Travelers' big fair will be in full blast next week at Madison Square Garden and the O. and W. excursion will give you a chance to take in all the sights of the metropolis. 17d4t.

Feed the Nerves

Upon pure, rich blood and you need not fear nervous prostration. Nerves are weak when they are improperly and insufficiently nourished. Pure blood is their proper food, and pure blood comes by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, which is thus the greatest and best nerve tonic. It also builds up the whole system.

HOOD'S PILLS are the favorite family cathartic, easy to take, easy to operate.

—Butter—21 cents per pound for best Elgin creamery butter, at the Tea store, Saturday only. The Great A. & P. Tea Co., 2 Empire Block. 1t

"WORN OUT."

A Common Expression Used by American Women.

Many do not Realize the Full Significance of Those Two Words.

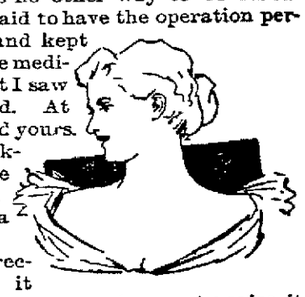
When a woman is nervous and irritable, head and back ache, feels tired all the time, loses sleep and appetite, has pains in groins, bearing-down sensation, whites and irregularities, she is not "worn out," but feels as if she were. Such symptoms tell her

that a womb trouble is imminent, and she cannot act too promptly if she values her future comfort and happiness.

The experience and testimony of some of the most noted women of America, go to prove beyond a question that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will correct all such trouble at once by removing the cause and restoring the organs to a healthy and normal condition. If in doubt, write Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., as thousands of women do.

Here is a lady who says:—

"Let me add my name to your list of testimonials. For years I suffered with such a weakness of the back I could not stand straight. I had terrible pains in my womb. The doctor said an operation must be performed, as there was no other way to be cured. I was afraid to have the operation performed, and kept trying the medicines that I saw advertised. At last I tried yours. After taking three bottles I felt like a new woman. I recommend it



to every woman, and cannot praise it enough, for it saved me from the surgeon's knife."—MRS. MARK BUCK, Dolgeville, N. Y.

Erie's Holiday Excursion Rate to New York.

On Monday, Dec. 21st, the Erie will sell excursion tickets to New York good on any train going Dec. 21st and returning on any train except No. 5 on or before Dec. 22d, at rate of $1.86 for the round trip. Best train service and fastest time. 16d5t

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

—J. S. Hammond, formerly general freight agent of the Erie Railroad Company was instantly killed in North East, Pa., yesterday. He undertook to crawl under a Lake Shore freight train which was moving slowly over a street crossing and was run over. He was unmarried and leaves a large estate to his father.

5 Sores

In combination, proportion and process Hood's Sarsaparilla is peculiar to itself, and unequalled in true merit.

No other medicine ever possessed so much curative power, or reached such enormous sales, or made such wonderful cures, as Hood's Sarsaparilla.

It is undoubtedly the best medicine ever made to purify, vitalize and enrich the blood.

That is the secret of its success.

Read this statement:

"When my son was 7 years of age, he had rheumatic fever and acute rheumatism, which settled in his left hip. He was so sick that no one thought there was any help for him. Five sores broke out on his thigh, which the doctor said were

Scrofula

sores. We had three different doctors. Pieces of bone came out of the sores. The last doctor said the leg would have to be cut open and the bone scraped, before he could get well. Howard became so low that he would eat nothing, and one doctor said there was no chance for him.

"One day, a newspaper recommending Hood's Sarsaparilla was left at our door. We decided to try this medicine. Howard commenced taking it the last of February, after having been sick for a year and a

Cured

half. He hadn't taken it a week before I saw that his appetite began to improve, and then he gained rapidly. I gave him five bottles, when the sores were all healed and they never broke out again. The crutches he had used for four years were laid aside, as he had no further use for them. I give all the credit to Hood's Sarsaparilla." MRS. ADA L. MOODY, Fay Street, Lynn, Mass.

This and many similar cures prove that

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. $1. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills cure Liver Ills; easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

CARSON & TOWNER.

BARGAINS IN LADIES' JACKETS!

suitable for Holiday Gifts, at $4 79 each, formerly $6 to $9 each; at $7, formerly sold at $10. For Gents—Traveling Bags, Leather Comb and Brush Cases, Umbrellas and Gloves. Special values in Linen Cloths and Napkins. Do not forget our Kid Glove Department—The Lorient at $1, the Neptune at $1 25 cannot be equalled. We warrant them. They make suitable Holiday Gifts.

CARSON & TOWNER,

No. 11 West Main Street. Telephone 166.

THERE IS A SURPRISE IN STORE.

JOHN E. ADAMS,

HOLIDAY ANNOUNCEMENT.

We have just received the New Holiday Hat—the Princeton. Fur Caps, Seal and Nutra Cloth Caps in endless variety.

Ready Made Clothing, Ulsters, Overcoats

and HEAVY SUITS. Owing to the lateness of the season, we will start in Dec. 1st to make special inducements to buyers in order to close out our heavy stock. Underwear, Cardigan Jackets, Sweaters and Jersey Coats. Elegant line of Neckwear, Suspenders, Gloves, fur and fur lined; Mittens and Dress Kid Gloves. MERCHANT TAILORING DEPARTMENT—We are still busy. We keep up our stock of Suitings, Overcoatings and Trouserings, which enables customers to make a good selection. Our Dress Suits have met with great success. Mr Rodgers pleases all. Look at our fine line of Trunks, Satchels, Dress Suit Cases and Telescope Boxes, Mackintosh Coats, Umbrellas and Canes.

Leading Hatter and Clothier, No. 41 North Street.

HOLIDAY GOODS!

Have the Call from This Date to Jan. 1st.

—We have a great display of Novelties in silver, celluloid, gold, aluminum, etc.

—Prices from 10c to $1; such prices as only the present "honest dollar" could produce.

—We have prepared a line of Dress Goods, for children's wear, at special reductions for the holiday season only.

—See our window.

—We have the Handkerchief stock of the season. Come and see it.

H. E. CHURCHILL & CO.,

No. 39 North Street.

ANYTHING WANTED?

We have nice Cauliflower, Golden Wax Beans, Parsnips, Carrots Lettuce and Celery, Red and White Cabbage Red and White Onions, all kinds of Canned Vegetables and Fruits. Farinaceous goods of every kind, choice Preserves and Jams. Everything in the grocery line at

BROSS & MUNDY,

TELEPHONE 39—19. 42 NORTH ST.

SAMUEL LIPFELD,

No. 25 North Street.

We are showing the largest assortment of Holiday Goods shown in the city, consisting of

NECKWEAR,
GLOVES,
UMBRELLAS,
SUSPENDERS,
HANDKERCHIEFS,
COLLARS,
CUFFS,
SMOKING JACKETS

at prices that will astonish you. Give us a call.

SAMUEL LIPFELD

25 North St

SPECIAL SALE

OF

COATS AND CAPES

This Week!

A very attractive stock in all the fashionable shapes of the season in Boucle, Astrakhan, Plush and Kersey. We have made extraordinary preparations and are in position to deliver from stock all sizes and at most attractive prices.

J. D. HORTON, AGT.,

No. 27 West Main Street.

HOLIDAY GOODS!

Christmas Cards, Poems and Books of the best authors, Toy Books of all sizes and prices, White Metal and Celluloid Goods Picture Frames and Ink Stands, Photograph Albums and a large variety of other goods. Call early.

S. W. MILLSPAUGH & CO.,

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I sell dry wood, always kept under shelter. You can be sure of a dry article at

E. H. GREGORY'S.

Telephonecall 129.

Grain, Flour, Feed
Baled Hay and Straw.

C. J. EVERSON,

Nos. 4 and 6 King Street.

FOR SALE.

The fine residence, known as the late John Corran's, No. 135 West Main street. House contains 10 rooms, steam heat, gas, and all modern improvements; lot about 64x150. This is to close an estate and is a fine opportunity for a bargain.

GARDNER & M'WILLIAMS. NO. 25 NORTH ST

MANFORD & HORTON.

CHRISTMAS HERE NEXT WEEK.

Full Stock of These Goods Here Now Ready to Be Presented.

Books,	Music Rolls,
Photograph Albums,	Fountain Pens,
Teachers' Bibles,	Dictionary Holders,
Pocketbooks and Purses,	Fancy Boxes of Paper,
Card Cases, with gold and silver mountings,	Collar and Cuff Boxes,
Gold Pens and Pencils,	Framed Pictures,
Writing Tablets,	Toilet Sets, leather and celluloid
Prayers and Hymnals,	Inkstands,
Hand Glasses,	Diaries for 1897,
Cameras and Pocket Kodaks,	Christmas Booklets and Cards
Medallions,	Games,
Calendars for 1897,	Building Blocks.

Hanford & Horton,

No. 6 North St., Middletown.

YOU WEAR!

A coat principally for warmth, for protection against cold, don't you?

If you want a coat for comfort and one that will wear well you should see the new lot of ulsters we are offering $5, $6, $8, $10, $12, $15, $18 and $20.

GEO. W. YOUNG.

POTTED HAM or TONGUE!

Unusually cheap, 5 and 10 cents; former price 15 and 25 cents.

B. F. TODD,

121 North St., Middletown

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

"The Hub" Shoe Store,

13 West Main Street.

Men's Embroidered Slippers 50, 65c a pair and up.

Men's Tan and Black Slippers 75c and $1.

Men's Tan and Black Elastic Side Slippers $1.25 a pair.

Rubber and Felt Boots, Overshoes, all at low prices.

HOW TO KEEP YOUR HUSBAND HOME.

Buy one of our House Coats. They are the neat and lasting styles and not expensive. To make other useful presents you could select Neckwear, Gloves, Mufflers, Suspenders, Dress Suits, Velvet Vests, Silk Umbrellas, Canes, Children's Reefers, Leather Leggins, etc.

Neckwear 12, 15, 25c.
Silk Umbrellas 98c., $1 25, $1 50
Silk Suspenders 50c
Kid Gloves 50c up.

Morris B. Wolf,

Blue Front Store,
10 North Street.

C. E. CRAWFORD FURNITURE CO.

Our New Art Gallery IS Now Ready.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to call on us and spend a half hour in our new department. Our word for it, you will be pleased. Also we wish at this time to call attention to our Framing Department; we have about 100 styles of moulding, and with Mr. Augustus Eith to do the work we claim to be headquarters in this line.

Call and see us. A nice Picture makes an elegant Christmas present. Respectfully,

C. E. Crawford Furniture Co.

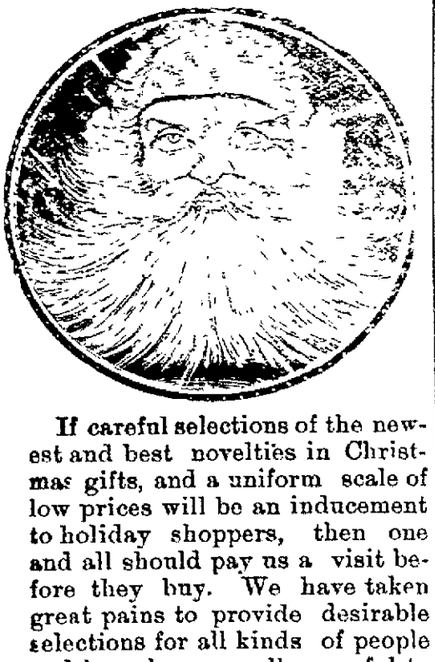
44-46 North Street, Middletown.

Summer Fragrance at Christmas Time!

That's a pretty thought for a gift! Exquisite Perfume of Roses, Violets Jasmine, Arbutus, Heliotrope and many other buds and blossoms prepared, developed and blended in our own laboratory, now offered in daintiest device of crystal cut glass or in simpler form for plainer tastes. Each in perfect form, the best of its kind, a gift sure of welcome anywhere.

Offering to you Perfumes and Toilet Waters of our own preparation, we give you larger assortment, better style and save you money.

McMonagle & Rogers, 30 North St. and 158 North St. (North Side Pharmacy.)



If careful selections of the newest and best novelties in Christmas gifts, and a uniform scale of low prices will be an inducement to holiday shoppers, then one and all should pay us a visit before they buy. We have taken great pains to provide desirable selections for all kinds of people and have been equally careful to make the prices right.

7 West Main Street, Middletown.

Fancher's

DAILY ARGUS.

FRIDAY, DEC. 18, 1896.

OPEN EVENINGS.

THE BUSINESS OFFICE OF THE "ARGUS" IS OPEN EVENINGS FROM SEVEN UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY UNITED PRESS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Threatening weather and light rain or snow followed by fair weather by Saturday afternoon; warmer, to-night; colder, Saturday night; southerly winds shifting to northwesterly.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., **26°**; 12 m., **37°**; 3 p. m., **36°**.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Holiday goods at Geo. B. Adams & Co 's
—For holiday presents—F. M. Pronk.
—Christmas gifts at J. J. Chambers'.
—Holiday presents at the Hub
—Fine sachet powder at J. J. Chambers'
—See tax collector's notice
—Fine perfumery at J. J Chambers'.
—Neckwear 12c up at Morris B. Wolf's.
—Home killed poultry at Greening's.
—Members of Corliss Asso. see adv.
—Great drop in ment at Greening's
—Bargains in rugs at Matthews & Co 's.
—Holiday gifts at Carson & Towler's

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Don't fail to exchange your Mikado tickets for reserved seats.

—Full dress rehearsal of the Mikado at the Casino, to-night.

—Have you secured your seats for the Mikado yet? There are only a few left.

—There are several cases of scarlet fever in Milford, Pa.

—Warwick business men are talking of organizing a Boa d of Trade.

—Lew Warner, formerly of Port Jervis, has been appointed a member of the New York police force.

—The Port Jervis silk mill has received an order for several thousand pieces of silk that will keep it running for several months.

—The names of Misses Emma Wolf and Jennie Hayes were omitted from the list of the Mikado chorus published last night.

—The body of the man found at Collins's switch, near Port Jervis, Tuesday, was buried without having been identified. The inquest has not yet been held.

—Ulster county's Board of Supervisors has voted to spend $25,000 in building an addition to the rear of the Court House to provide room for county officials who are now occupying rented premises.

PERSONAL.

—Mrs. Chas. Horton, of this city, who has been spending several weeks in Deposit, returned, last evening.

—Mrs. Blake Scriber and brother, Charles Wolcott, are visiting relatives and friends in Goshen and Middletown, this week.—*Livingston Manor Ensign.*

—George K. Wilkin, formerly manager of the Postal Telegraph office in this city, and later of Asbury Park, N. J., it is understood will shortly be placed in charge of an office at Poughkeepsie.

—The A. and P. Tea Co. is distributing to its customers a very handsome souvenir calendar which is neater and more artistic than anything of the kind ever issued by the company.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. H. Catherine Morris-Ray.

Mrs. H. Catherine Morris, wife of James Ray, died at her home on East avenue, this morning, aged forty-eight years.

She is survived by her husband and two children, Wellington E. and Emma S., wife of Daniel M. Labey, of this city. Two sons, George A. and Morris S. died, last December, the former on the 8th and the latter on the 12th.

Mrs. Ray was a most estimable woman, a good wife and a devoted mother, and her death will be mourned by all who know her.

Notice of funeral will appear to-morrow.

Mrs. Hattie M. Ghee.

Mrs. Hattie H. Hickson, wife of Clarence E. Ghee, died at 3.30 o'clock, yesterday afternoon, at her home, No. 49 Watkins avenue. Deceased was a daughter of Alonzo Hickson, of Medway, Mass., where she was born thirty-two years ago. She was married May 29, 1890, at Matteawan, N. Y., to Clarence E. Ghee, of this city, who with two daughters, one aged four years and the other five days survives her. She is also survived by her father and two brothers, all of Medway, Mass.

Mrs. Ghee made many friends during her short residence in this city and the sympathy of his many friends will be extended to the husband in his bereavement. Mr. Ghee is a valued employe of Brink & Clark, and a popular member of the 24th Separate Company Band.

The arrangements for the funeral have not been completed.

The New Justice of the Peace.

Mayor Stansbury, to-day, appointed Arthur M. Payne Justice of the Peace in place of A. V. N. Powelson, resigned.

Mr. Payne is a law student in Mr. Finn's office. He is a graduate of Hamilton College and a young man of high character and good abilities. He has lived in Middletown since September 1895.

The Body of Magician Herrmann.

The body of Herrman, the magician, who died suddenly, yesterday, while on his way from Rochester to Bradford, Pa., passed through this city at 4:30, this morning, in a special car attached to train 12. It was being taken to New York.

THE COMMON COUNCIL.

LITTLE BUSINESS OF IMPORTANCE DONE LAST NIGHT.

Several Resolutions in Regard to Street Lamps Passed—Ordered to Trim Trees —A Communication from Wawayanda in Regard to Sewage—"Jakey" Wants the Lunch Wagon License Reduced—Other Routine Business.

The regular meeting of the Common Council was held, last evening, present: President Borrance and Aldermen Reed, Bowler, Abrams and Funnell.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mr. Boak asked to have a light placed on Maryland avenue to accommodate residents on the street, who were compelled to attend to business down town.

Mr. Reed moved that the clerk notify owners of trees on South street to remove lower limbs within five days or the Superintendent of Streets would do the work. Carried.

Alderman Reed moved that the payment to Orr Bros. of ten per cent. on paving contract be referred to the Mayor with power to act. Carried.

Alderman Bowler moved that an opportunity be given Mrs. Nora Denton, on Thursday evening, Jan. 7th, 1897, before the Council, to show cause why the sum of $26.50 for curbing and grading in front of her property, 203 West Main street, and cost of notice served by publication, should not be made a lien against her property, together with the further charge of publishing this notice, and that the clerk have published the proper legal notice. Carried.

Alderman Reed moved that the gas lamp, located between the park and Benton avenue, be removed to Houston avenue between Academy and Sprague avenues, to be located by Street Committee. Carried.

Alderman Funnell spoke of water boxes above grade of the walk on Wisner avenue in front of the Crawford property. On motion of Alderman Reed, referred to Superintendent of Streets to have same put in proper shape.

NOTICE FROM WAWAYANDA'S HEALTH BOARD.

The following communication from Wawayanda's Board of Health was received and filed:

STATE OF NEW YORK,
COUNTY OF ORANGE,
TOWN OF WAWAYANDA:

Complaint having been made by the inhabitants of said town to the Board of Health of the town of Wawayanda, that the city of Middletown, in said county, has caused, erected and maintained and is now causing, erecting and maintaining a public nuisance in said town, by depositing the sewerage from said city in an open ditch or channel and carrying the same through such open ditch or channel through and over lands owned or occupied by said city, in said town, from the line of the town of Wallkill, in said county, to the Wallkill river, in the said town of Wawayanda; we, the undersigned, composing the Board of Health of said town of Wawayanda, met at the home of John I. Bradley, in the last named town, on the fourth day of December, 1896, to act upon such complaint, and for the purpose of examining and inspecting the premises where such nuisance exists, and proceeded to make such examination and inspection.

The following is a statement of the results and conclusions of such Board, from such examination:

It appears that all the sewerage of the city of Middletown, in said county, with a population of about fourteen thousand people, is conducted through many miles of covered sewers to a point near the city line, and is there deposited in an open ditch or channel and carried in such open ditch or channel, owned or occupied by said city, into and through the town of Wawayanda, and near dwellings situate therein, to the Wallkill river, in said town. That such sewerage is deposited along and upon the banks of such open ditch or channel, and leaves thereon foul and offensive deposits, and that the small quantity of water in said ditch or channel is foul and offensive and filled with sewerage and fecal matter from the water closets emptying into said sewers.

That the stench from such open ditch or channel and from the sewerage deposited and carried therein by the said city of Middletown, is most offensive and is dangerous and injurious to life and health in said town, and that by reason of such nuisance and the stench therefrom, the enjoyment of life and property in said town is rendered uncomfortable.

That from such examination and inspection, the conclusions of the said Board of Health of the town of Wawayanda are:

That the depositing and carrying of such sewerage through said town of Wawayanda in an open ditch or channel, as hereinbefore set forth, and as heretofore done, is a public nuisance and that such nuisance must be abated by the said city of Middletown, by the construction of a covered sewer in which to carry and convey such sewerage, or by such other means as will be effective to prevent the escape of the poisonous, foul and offensive stench from such sewerage in its passage through the said town of Wawayanda, and that in default of such abatement of such nuisance by the said city of Middletown, the said Board of Health of the said town of Wawayanda will adopt measures to compel the abatement of such nuisance by the said city of Middletown.

Dated, the 12th day of December 1896.
JOHN I. BRADLEY, Supervisor.
FRANK C. CLARK, Town Clerk.
CHARLES C. FULLERTON,
R. C. MEAD,
J. B. HAVENS,
FOWLER H. SMITH,
Justices of the Peace.
DEWITT SMITH, Citizen Member.
FRANK D. MYERS, M. D., Health Officer.

The following communication was received from J. J. Newmark:

To the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN:—I would respectfully ask you to reduce the license fee which was put on my lunch wagons at your last meeting. I am a law-abiding citizen and perfectly willing to pay what I can afford, but I think that $100 is too much, and I cannot afford to pay that much and my other expenses besides. Please consider my application to have the fee reduced, as at the present amount I would have to go out of business or leave the city.

Hoping my petition will be granted, I am respectfully yours,

J. J. NEWMARK.

Petition ordered filed.

Superintendent Reed complained that ashes and garbage were not dumped on the lot hired by the city, but in various places around the town.

A communication was received from Mrs. M. E. Flynn concerning a complaint made by Thomas Moore regarding a cesspool at 264 North street, in which she stated the complaint was false. Ordered filed.

Communications from Monhagen Hose Company, Eagle Hose Company, Wallkill Engine Company and Phœnix Engine Company, regarding election of new members, were read. On motion election confirmed.

Moved by Alderman Reed that Alderman Bowler be constituted a committee of one to draw up a dumping ordinance. Carried.

Communication from Mayor approving of resolutions regarding purchase of horse blankets for Eagle's team, payment for extra horse used by Eagles, and renewal of agreement with Wood & Baldwin for use of team for six months, from Dec. 9th, by Excelsiors, the same to be referred to Fire Committee with power to act; also a resolution empowering the Fire Committee to purchase badges and rope for the fire police: also resolution regarding proposed purchase of ash can for Ontario Hose. Ordered filed.

Alderman Funnell moved that the gas lamp at the corner of Prospect street and Linden avenue be removed to some point near the Low Block, to be located by the President. Carried.

Moved by Alderman Reed that the Street Committee locate a gas lamp on East Main street between Academy avenue and the Erie Railroad. Carried.

Committee previously appointed to confer with Erie officials regarding switch reported that no decision had been reached.

The following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That the Sewer Committee be and are hereby empowered to cover the Draper Brook from the line of Academy avenue to the line of lands of Lipfeld, either by contract or day's work, as they deem best, in accordance with the arrangements and agreements with the property holders on the line of the same, with a brick conduit.

Adjourned.

UNIVERSALIST YOUNG PEOPLE.

Meeting, Last Night, to Organize a Young People's Society—Pleasantly Entertained by Their Pastor.

The young people of the Universalist Church and congregation, to the number of sixty, spent a social evening with their pastor, Rev. G. Newton Emory, and family, 92 Academy avenue, last evening, and a committee was appointed to organize a Young People's Society.

The following programme was rendered:

Piano solo
Wallace Lefever
Piano and violin duet.
Misses Mullen and Lottie Wells.
Scotch songs
George Hutchinson
Recitation—"Old Age"
Miss Florence Freeman

Rev. Mr. Emory made a brief address to the young people, extending hearty words of welcome. Refreshments of cream and cake were served, after which a short business meeting was held and the following committee appointed to consider a plan of organization and nominate officers: J. E. Gibbs, Wilfred Woodhead, Wilbur E. Lutes, Miss Florence Freeman, Miss Jessie Loane

The next meeting will be held at the call of the committee.

LEFT FOR PARTS UNKNOWN.

Ben Levy, of the Middletown Art Gallery, Goes But Not to Return—Few Effects Left for His Creditors.

"Ben" Levy, proprietor of the Middletown Art Gallery, located on the corner of North and King streets, has left town, and probably will not return.

John J Bryant, proprietor of Hotel Elberton, at which Levy boarded, was surprised to receive through the mail, this morning, a note from Mr. Levy, saying he had left for parts unknown, and enclosing to Mr. Bryant a legally executed power of attorney, authorizing him to dispose of his effects and divide the proceeds among his creditors, of which he is believed to have a number in this city.

Levy's stock in trades not extensive, and his creditors will not realize largely from the sale of the establishment.

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INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN.

The Separate Social Club's Masquerade —Frank Flynn's Return—Indefinitely Postponed—Odd Fellows Going to Middletown.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—Wawastawa Tribe I. O. R. M., elected officers last night.

—The anniversary and reception of Elliott Hook and Ladder Company has been indefinitely postponed because of the death of the late Fred Strack.

—A number of Goshen Odd Fellows will go to Middletown, to-night, to participate in a gathering of their brethren of that city.

—The masquerade dance of the Goshen Separate Social Club was given at Music Hall, last night. The attendance was not as large as had been expected, not more than twenty couples being present. While the affair cannot be regarded financially as a success, everything else tended to make the occasion pleasant. The music was good, the lunch excellent, the dancers had lots of elbow room and the evening was thoroughly enjoyable. There was a good sized crowd of spectators on hand. A special car was run to Middletown after the ball was over. It was not crowded.

—Frank Flynn returned to town, yesterday. He is not looking well.

MERRY MASKERS DANCE.

The Masquerade Ball of the Daughters of Pocahontas a Great Success

White Eagle Council, No. 71, Degree of Pocahontas, held its masquerade ball at the Assembly Rooms, last evening. It was a social and financial success. The dancing, for which Coleman's orchestra furnished the music, was continued until 3 o'clock this morning. The grand march was led by Misses Bertha Owen and Annie Ketcham. Miss Carrie Edwards won a silk umbrella as the best lady waltzer, and Mrs. R. Morton a gold ring for the prettiest costume. The judges who awarded the prizes were as follows: Edward Condon, Lewis Bull, George L. Irwin and Mrs. Phœbe Felter, the two last named being members of the Council. The following committees were in charge of the ball:

Floor Committee—G. F. Van Houtan, Mrs. M. Sengstacken, Mrs. M. Newburger, Frank Pease.

Reception Committee—Mrs. G. F. Van Houtan, Mrs. Ruby Morton, Mrs. Carrie Miller, Mrs. Elmer E. Hunt.

Committee of Arrangements—Mrs. Mary Newburger, G. L. Irwin, Mrs. C. E. Felter, Elmer E. Hunt.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETING.

The Ladies' Missionary Society of St. Paul's Holds a Pleasant and Profitable Meeting.

St. Paul's Ladies' Missionary Society met with Dr. Isabella Wilson at the parsonage, Thursday afternoon. The meeting was opened by singing "Watchman, tell us of the night," followed by responsive scripture reading and repetition of the Lord's prayer.

The usual business of the society was transacted, after which Mrs. Ackerman read an appropriate and interesting selection entitled, "Thanksgiving Anu."

The special subject of the meeting was "Missionary news from all lands."

Miss Benton read an account of recent work in the New Hebrides Islands; Mrs. Taylor of work in China; Mrs. Chambers in Japan, Mrs. Iseman in India, and Mrs. Ackerman in Africa.

After a pleasant social hour and the serving of tempting refreshments by the hostess the meeting adjourned.

An Afternoon Whist Party.

Miss Mattie Gordon, of 12 Broad street, entertained the members of the F. D. S. Club and a number of other friends at whist, yesterday afternoon. The first prize, a silver button hook, was won by Miss Genevieve Still, the second prize, a gold souvenir spoon, was won by Miss Ella Dewey. Among the young ladies from out of town were Miss Charlotte Truesdell, of Katonah, N. Y., and Miss Ina Mills, of Circleville.

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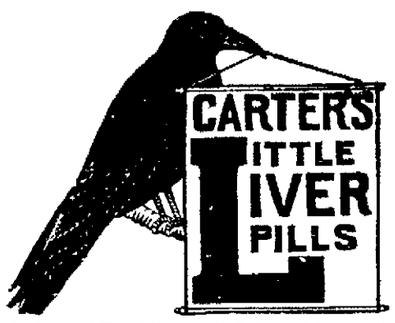

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[Special Washington Letter.]

The most beautiful roses of summer are guarded by thorns; and that fact has often been used to point a moral and adorn the tale that all the sweets of life are mingled with the bitter.

The beautiful snow has come again, bringing with it sorrow and suffering to thousands of the poor people in our cities. In the capital city of the republic fully 2,000 families were without fuel during the two days and nights of the storm. It was much like the blizzards of Iowa, Minnesota and Dakota, as they were experienced by the writer, some years ago.

The coming of the snow seems to have emphasized the fact that want and suffering exist among the poor of the city. However, this fact has been a familiar one to those interested in the administration of charity ever since the cold weather began. It is the cold that develops a good deal of the need for relief. It is the snow, as a rule, that causes the general public to realize that there are those who stand in need of help. It is natural, therefore, that the volume of contributions, either in money or clothes, for the benefit of the poor should be sensibly increased even since the fall of the snow the other morning.

The stream of public and private charity which flows deep and broad in this city is divided into a great many rivulets and rills of varying size and importance, but all reaching the homes of want and poverty and giving aid which is most needed. There is the charitable individual, sometimes with a heart as large as his purse, and then, again, with the purse in inverse ratio to the size of the heart. He or she visits the poor at their homes and gives help as it seems the occasion demands They use their friends as their bankers, and very cheerful bankers most of them prove to be, with a good-natured laxness in regard to the cashing of checks The truth is, the majority of good, charitable people prefer some one else to do the "slumming," as it is sometimes called, while, on the other hand, they are perfectly willing to foot the bills The drafts upon their time and sympathy are not so cheerfully borne as those upon their bank accounts.

"To every man his work." Since men and women of moderate means enjoy the work of saving souls and bodies in the alleys, it is well; and they are encouraged to go about doing good. Since the prosperous are willing to furnish the money, they are excused from the

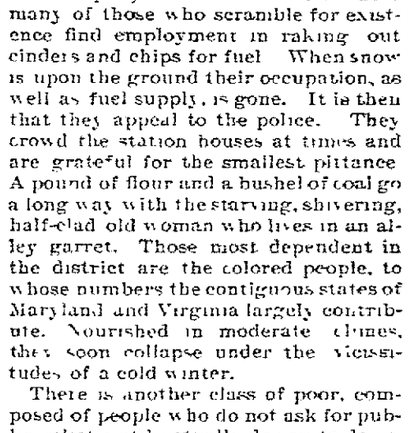
OUT OF WORK

work of "slumming" The churches are doing a great deal to relieve human misery in this city In nearly every church, of all denominations are found societies which are devoted to work among the poor They have a treasury to draw upon and the members go about from house to house and thus dispense their alms Then there are organizations of various kinds which either incidentally or as one of the main features look after the unfortunate class The Central Union mission offers a conspicuous example It furnishes lodgings and meals to those in need of temporary help and demands a return where practical a certain amount of work in its wood yard Its resident minister or the lady as well as to the soul and they are not compelled to turn away deserving men and women as many because the hour has passed for the religious meeting which should duly must close The influence of the mission continues after the meetings and the endeavors of practical men help to keep men from falling any further into the slough in which they naturally are when the mission finds hold of them

We had a snow carnival on Pennsylvania avenue Every sled sleigh cutter and fit everything on runners or that could be put on runners was brought into requisition Horses, those faithful animals who are so cheap and are being discarded nowadays were worth a dollar an hour and apparently every horse in town was at the carnival All of the pretty girls the jolly boys and even the gay old sports were in the procession Hearing the ringing and the jingling of the bells the peals of laughter and the songs of the rushing throng, no one would suppose that there was any suffering in the city

The Associated charities is an organization which does much practical good The secretary has had years of experience and he knows the genuine from the sham sufferers at sight For example during the carnival on Pennsylvania avenue, a young colored man entered the room and told the secretary that he was out of work and had been vainly trying to find some place as a cook, which was his business He had failed He had a wife and a little child five years of age His wife was able to work, but could not get a place because her clothes were not "fitten," as the man expressed it. They had fuel in the house, but no food, having eaten their last meal last evening. The man said he was willing to work, and his wife was willing to work if they could get it to do

A crucial test, as it appeared, was made by the secretary who had brought out all this information by a series of questions when he asked the man in conclusion if he would saw wood. The man said he would, and then the secretary gave him an order for some meal, flour, meat, beans, and told him to go home and get something to eat and feed his family, and then returned to the office where he wanted him to go to work. The man promised that he would re-



AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS.

turn, and taking his order, went off to the grocery store to have it filled.

It seemed, from experience, that the secretary's little wood shed in the back yard is the rock upon which the schemes of many who have designs upon the funds of the society split, and go all to pieces. The impostors don't want to work, and when the wood shed looms up before them, they manage to leave and seek more congenial scenery Sometimes they break the saw or dull the ax with the view of lessening the hours of toil

The chief of our city police says that the dumping lots furnish a field where many of those who scramble for existence find employment in raking out cinders and chips for fuel When snow is upon the ground their occupation, as well as fuel supply, is gone. It is then that they appeal to the police. They crowd the station houses at times and are grateful for the smallest pittance A pound of flour and a bushel of coal go a long way with the starving, shivering, half-clad old woman who lives in an alley garret. Those most dependent in the district are the colored people, to whose numbers the contiguous states of Maryland and Virginia largely contribute. Nourished in moderate climes, they soon collapse under the vicissitudes of a cold winter.

There is another class of poor, composed of people who do not ask for public relief until actually driven to do so These are persons who have experienced better days, many of whom make a living on the streets either as laborers or peddlers, but are deprived of their vocations by bad weather The policemen endeavor to acquaint themselves with the condition of those who live upon their respective beats and the needy are promptly reported for assistance

The demand for rent money is an unusual feature The threatened evictions for non-payment of rent were almost as numerous as those reported from Ireland Men, women and children, representing every color and degree of intelligence, called at police headquarters, some of them almost frantic for want of means to satisfy the landlord. In nearly every instance the "notice to vacate" was presented as a guarantee of truthfulness on the part of the applicant

Food and fuel were distributed in the same systematic manner as has characterized this work for years The deserving were given orders on some grocery or wood yard over the signature of the lieutenant in whose precinct they resided These orders were receipted by the applicants after obtaining the goods and the accumulated orders and accounts were presented to the department for payment at the close of each month.

The ability to afford the extensive relief demanded by the suffering poor throughout the winter is due to the press and public who responded promptly and effectually to the appeal for aid

That tells the story, and it is a story which might be repeated again and again concerning all cities Indeed if the true tale were told concerning the suffering of the poor in New York, Chicago and the other cities which are larger than Washington, it would be harrowing in the extreme Superintendent of Police Moore tells me, however, that there is not a single family in Washington to-day without fuel and food, unless it may be some family too proud to let its poverty be known to the duly constituted authorities.

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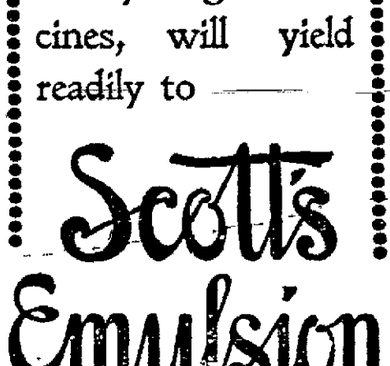

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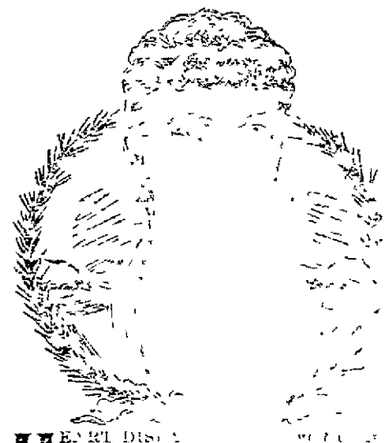

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In testimony, whereof, I have hereunto annexed the seal of the said County Court of the county of Orange, State of New York to be hereunto affixed. Witness, Hon. John J. Beattie, County Judge of said county, this 2d day of November, 1896.

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"You're joking," said the prominent citizen.

"Not at all," replied the citizen who was not prominent, seriously. "I was born here."—Chicago Post.

Very Amusing.

The Heiress—Yes, when I don't wish to accept certain men's attentions, and they ask me where I live, I say, in the suburbs.

Mr. Selfsure—Ha! ha! An excellent plan. (After a pause)—But where do you live, Miss Brownlow?

The Heiress—In the suburbs.—Tit-Bits.

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Mrs. Wiggsy—That family who have moved in next door must be either very rich or very poor.

Wiggsy—Why so?

Mrs. Wiggsy—Their furniture was all done up carefully in sheets and blankets, and I don't know whether it was done to hide its shabbiness or to protect its beauty.—N. Y. Tribune.

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"That is mock turtle soup," said the bride. "I made it myself. Don't—don't you like it?"

"Well, I dunno," said he. "But you can be sure that you will never be accused of plagiarism."—N. Y. World.

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"Is it true that Goldy's son eloped with the old gentleman's typewriter?"

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Tom, Tom, the piper's son,
Stole a pie and away he spun.
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And now he's hobbling round the town.
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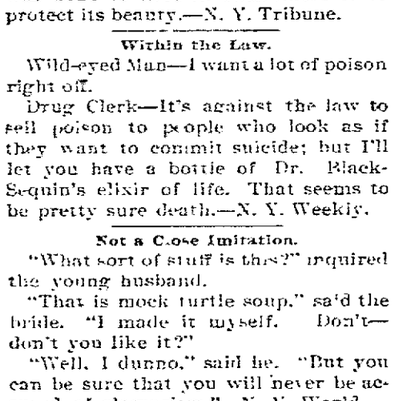
ONE MORE UNFORTUNATE.



Mamma (a widow)—I want to tell you something, Tommy. You saw that gentleman talking to grandmamma in the other room? He is going to be your new papa. Mamma is going to marry him.

Tommy (who has a memory)—Does he know it yet, mamma?—N. Y. Tribune.

A Gentle Hint.

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?"
"Wedding rehearsal, sir," she said
"May I go with you, my pretty maid?"
"You can when you ask me, sir," she said.
—Cleveland Plain Dealer

During the Interval.

Bobbie—Papa, do green apples always give a boy a pain?

Bingo—I believe so. Why?

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The Odd.

"Well, I declare! This is a strange time for you to be taking exercise."

"Yes; the doctor told me to put in odd moments at it."—Detroit Tribune.

A Wise Lad.

Teacher—Come, Johnny, repeat your history lesson.

Johnny—History repeats itself, ma'am.—Baltimore American.

He Amused Her.

Chollie—Aw—I see nothing to laugh at.

She—I suppose not. You have your back to the mirror.—Town Topics.

His Chronic Condition.

He—Well, I must be off.

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17—Fullonia avenue and Wanta berry street.
18—Grand avenue and Erie ave. street.
23—Wickham avenue, corner Liberty street.
24—West Main street and Wickham avenue.
25—North street, corner Wickham avenue.
26—James and Henry streets.
27—North and John streets, Erie crossing.
28—Lake avenue and West street.
29—W. Main street, corner Monhagen avenue.
31—State Hospital Gate.
211—Prospect street and Highland avenue.
215—Rear of State Hospital.
34—Fulton and Mill streets, hat shop.
35—High and Hanford streets.
36—Canal street, condensery.
37—Mulberry and Fulton streets.
38—Fairview avenue and South street.
41—Fulton street and East avenue.
42—Academy avenue and Houston avenue.
43—East Main street and Railroad avenue.
45—East Main street, foot of Orchard street.
46—Academy avenue and Genung street.
47—Myrtle and Prospect avenue.
48—Grant street and Sycamore avenues.
49—East Main street and Prospect avenue.
51—North street, near Orchard.
52—Franklin Square.
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1 stroke denotes circuit broken.
2-2-2 strokes of bell denotes Chief's call.
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NORTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	Mixed	1 Daily Exp	7 Buffalo Exp	Lim't
N. Y. Leave	A M	A M	P M	P M
Franklin St	8 20	7 40	3 05	4 15
W. 42d St.,	8 30	7 55	3 15	4 30
Weehawken	8 50	8 19	3 36	4 45
Cornwall	9 10	9 45	5 00	6 01
W Cornwall	9 22	9 58	5 08	
Orr's Mills	9 25	9 55	5 10	
Little Britain	9 30	10 05	5 15	
Burnside	9 50	10 26	5 35	
Campbell Hall	9 57	10 33	5 40	6 30
Stony Ford	10 15	10 51	5 58	
Middletown				
Main St.	10 38	11 15	6 20	
Middletown	10 45	11 25	6 30	6 56
Wisnerton	10 50	11 30	6 35	
Bloomingburgh	11 00	11 45	6 50	
Wurtsboro	11 20	12 05	7 10	
Summitville	11 30	12 20	7 25	
Ellenville	11 50	12 40	7 45	
Fallsburgh	12 05	12 55	8 00	
Hurleyville	12 12	1 02	8 07	
Liberty Falls	12 15	1 05	8 10	
Liberty	12 30	1 20	8 25	
Parksville	12 40	1 30	8 35	
Lyons Mills	12 50	1 40	8 45	
Narrowsburg	1 10	2 00	9 05	
Cochecton	1 25	2 15	9 20	
Damascus	1 40	2 30	9 35	
Equinunk	1 55	2 45	9 50	
Lordville	2 10	3 00	10 05	
Deposit	2 30	3 20	10 25	
Hancock	2 45	3 35	10 40	
Sidney	3 05	3 55	11 00	
Unadilla	3 20	4 10	11 15	
Oneonta	3 45	4 35	11 40	
Oneonta Cas'l	3 55	4 45	11 50	
Oneida { ar	4 30	5 20	12 25	
Oneida { lv	4 35	5 25	12 40	
Fulton	5 07	5 57	1 22	
Oswego ar	5 40	6 30	2 00	
	P M	P M	A M	

SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	6 New York Exp	12 Delhi Local	14 Day Exp	50	2 Day Exp
	P M	P M	A M	A M	A M
Oswego lv	12 30			2 21	8 47
Oneida { ar				2 52	8 46
Oneida { lv	2 11			3 10	9 05
Oneid Cas'l			7 4	3 15	8 53
Norwich { ar	3 34		7 50	6 15	10 37
Norwich { lv	3 39		7 45	7 00	10 42
Sidney	4 20		8 45		11 40
Sidney Centr'l			9 13		11 57
Windsor	5 0	12 15	9 38		12 37
Hancock Junction	5 35	1 30			2 30
Cochecton		2 38	6 30		2 19
Lordville	6 25	2 58	6 11		2 25
Parksville		3 6	6 25		2 37
Liberty	6 48	3 35	6 36		2 51
Liberty Falls		3 41	6 41		2 56
Harvyville		4 01	6 57		3 07
Fallsburgh	7 06	4 19	6 57		3 14
Centreville		4 30	7 04		3 30
Mountain D.		4 50	7 20		3 25
Summitville		5 15	7 26		3 45
Quarryville		5 25	7 33		3 52
Bloomingburgh		5 42	7 43		4 07
Wisnerton		5 48	7 48		4 12
Middletown { ar	8 00	6 05	8 05		4 30
Middletown { lv	8 10	6 40	8 10		4 30
Middletown Main St.		6 48	8 12		4 32
Stony Ford		7 07	8 25		4 52
Campbell Hall		7 15	8 31		5 02
Burnside		7 31	8 46		5 17
Little Britain		7 50	9 05		5 37
Orr's Mills		7 57	9 13		5 44
W. Cornwall		8 00	9 20		5 47
Cornwall	8 53	8 3	9 11		5 35
Weehawken	10	0 11	00 16	30	
New York W. 42d St.,	10	30	11 15	19	40
N. Y. Franklin St	10	45	11 30	19	55
	P M	P M	A M	A M	P M

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NORTH.

	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun p m	Sun p m
New York	8 30	.....	4 10
Jersey City	8 46	.....	4 25
Hackensack	9 14	.....	4 50
Paterson (Broadway)	9 26	.....	5 02
Paterson	9 29	.....	5 04
Two Bridges	10 55	3 00	6 32
Ogdensburg	11 07	3 16	6 44
Franklin	11 12	3 26	6 47
Hamburg	11 20	3 36	6 55
Deckertown	11 28	3 52	7 03
Quarryville	11 36	4 04	7 10
Unionville	11 44	4 15	7 18
Westtown	11 49	4 25	7 24
Johnson	11 55	4 38	7 29
Slate Hill	12 00	4 57	7 34
Middletown	12 12	5 10	7 45

SOUTH.

	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun a m	Sun p m	Daily p m
Middletown	6 30	7 12	4 45	5 00
Slate Hill	6 42	7 27	4 57	5 08
Johnson	6 48	7 35	5 03	5 14
Westtown	6 53	7 43	5 08	5 19
Unionville	6 59	7 55	5 16	5 25
Quarryville	7 06	8 07	5 25	5 33
Deckertown	7 14	8 30	5 33	5 42
Hamburg	7 22	8 46	5 42	5 50
Franklin Junction	7 27	8 53		
Franklin	7 29	8 56	5 49	5 57
Ogdensburg	7 34	9 06	5 54	6 02
Two Bridges	7 51	9 32	6 10	6 18
Paterson	9 03		7 30	7 38
Paterson (Broadway)	9 05	10 36	7 33	7 41
Hackensack	9 16	10 47	7 46	7 54
Jersey City	9 38	11 12	8 13	8 21
New York	9 53	11 23	8 23	8 31

† Stop on signal.

Many lives of usefulness have been cut short by neglect to break up an ordinary cold. Pneumonia, bronchitis and even consumption can be averted by the prompt use of One Minute Cough Cure. W. D. Olney.

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TIME TABLE ADOPTED NOV. 1, 1896.

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*Daily. †Sundays only. ‡Except Sunday. b. Stops for passengers to Binghamton and beyond.

Middletown & Crawford Branch—Leave Main St., Middletown, for Pine Bush at 11.40 a. m. daily, except Sun.; 6.55 p. m. daily; 11.10 Sunday only.

Montgomery Branch—Leave Goshen for Montgomery at 7.27 a. m., 11.20 a. m., 5.28 p. m. daily except Sunday, 10.52 a. m. Sunday only.

Pine Island Branch—Leave Goshen for Pine Island at 11.20 a. m., 6.15 p. m., daily except Sunday. Sunday only 10.52 a. m., 6.10 p. m.

Newburgh, via Turners—Leave Turners for Newburgh at 7.35 a. m., 10.53 a. m., daily, except Sunday; 9.09 p. m., daily; 10.30 a. m., Sunday only. Train 30 connects for Newburgh via Arden, instead of Turners.

Newburgh, via Greycourt—Leave Greycourt at 7.45 a. m., 11.10 a. m., 1.28 and 6.25 p. m. daily, except Sunday; 10.45 a. m. and 5.52 p. m., Sun. only.

Trains Nos. 6, 11, 15, 16, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 33 and Sunday Specials 601, 617, 625 stop at Main street, Middletown.

The Perfume of Violets

The purity of the lily, the glow of the rose, and the flush of Hebe combine in Pozzoni's wondrous Powder

DR. DIX'S Catarrhal & Cold Powders never fail. They kill the germs and cure where all other remedies have failed. Pulverized 4 cents. DR. S. T. DIX, Boob Bay, Boston, Mass.

Headache stopped in 20 minutes by Dr. Miles' Pain Pills. "Once cent a dose."

THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE

THE ANNUAL SESSION OF ORANGE COUNTY'S SUPERVISORS.

Closing Up the Work of the Session—Printers' Bills and the Committee's Recommendations—A Road Improvement Committee Named—The Visit to Orange Farm—A County Truant School Impracticable—No More Room for the County Clerk, This Year.

Blooming Grove	Joseph E. Board
Chester	G. W. Fredericks
Cornwall	Charles Ketcham
Crawford	Sam'l. D. Robbinson
Deerpark	Thomas J. Quick
Goshen	J. E. Wells
Greenville	Samuel V. Jones
Hamptonburgh	Chas. B. Howell
Highlands	Louis F. Goodsell
Middletown—	
First Ward	James E. Brazee
Second Ward	Chas. J. Boyd
Third Ward	John B. Iseman
Fourth Ward	Nelson W. Wood
Minisink	Richard S. Tuthill
Monroe	Joseph Rake
Montgomery	J. H. Loughran
Mount Hope	Chas. W. Loomis
Newburgh City—	
First Ward	John M. Wilson
Second Ward	Henry B. Lawson
Third Ward	Geo. Moshier
Fourth Ward	Hugh McKissock
Fifth Ward	Jonathan Taylor
Sixth Ward	J. J. E. Harrison
Newburgh Town	Wm. H. Post
New Windsor	Geo. Debenham
Tuxedo	Mahlon J. Brooks
Wallkill	H. D. Thompson
Warwick	Ira S. Smith
Wawayanda	John I. Bradley
Woodbury	John A. Patterson

GOSHEN, Dec. 17—The printers' bills were reported Tuesday and the following is the list of the amounts paid to the different papers:

Newburgh *Journal*, $3,899.28; Newburgh *News*, $3,812.39; Newburgh *Telegram*, $33.20; Middletown *Press*, $2,081.89; Goshen *Democrat*, $1,138.14; Port Jervis *Gazette*, $1,023.65; *Independent Republican*, Goshen, $1,009.75; Montgomery *Reporter*, $881.55; Port Jervis *Union*, $893.90; Middletown *Times*, $708.50; Newburgh *Press*, $446; Middletown Argus, $263; Walden *Citizen*, $190.25; Warwick *Dispatch*, $117.65; Cornwall *Local*, $106.90; Walden *Herald*, $42.75; Montgomery *Standard*, $1,015.40; Warwick *Advertiser*, $417.38; *News of the Highlands*, $22.88; Chester *News*, $33; Newburgh *Register*, $38.25; *News of the Highlands*, $200.70; Highland Falls *Journal*, $2.20.

This includes all the printing expenses of the county during the past year and includes the expenses of the printing of ballots, etc.

The committee reported that they had cut a number of bills, and that bills to the amount of $3,000 had been reduced voluntarily by printers before they were passed upon. They also reported that they believed the county's was paying too much to the printers, and the committee was continued with instructions to devise some plan of lessening the county's expenditure of money for this purpose. The committee is to report at the next session of this Board.

After Mr. Ketcham's road resolution was defeated, last Wednesday, he introduced a bill providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate the matter of road improvement and, if necessary, to visit the State Legislature in the interest of good roads. This motion was carried Mr. Ketcham's resolution made Mr Goodsell chairman of the committee. The chair appointed Messrs. Ketcham Wood, Harrison and Thompson

VISIT TO ORANGE FARM.

On Wednesday the Board paid their annual visit to Orange Farm. They had a very pleasant visit and were pleasantly received by Superintendents Hasbrouck, Merritt and Sutherland. The annual visits of the Board of Supervisors to the county buildings at Orange Farm are for the purpose of inspecting the property. They this year found everything in the very best of condition and the premises neat, clean and in perfect sanitary condition. The superintendents treated their guests to a fine turkey dinner, and with the assistance of John Conklin, who has charge of the farm and Ed Harford, the engineer, and the ladies attached to the institution, the entertainment furnished the county legislators could not be improved upon.

Thursday was a busy day. The committees reported on everything they could and on all the bills against the county are now audited. The bills amount to $4,950.36. The Albany penitentiary bill this year is $3,462.9

NO TRUANT SCHOOL THIS YEAR

The committee appointed to investigate Mr Cuddeback's resolution that a truant school be established either at Orange Farm or at Middletown reported the plans not feasible at this time, and stated it to be as much as other counties do to find provided truant schools the Supervisors having truant children to care for could not provide or should open communication and make terms with Poor schools.

There is $1,800 in the U. S. deposit due to the county.

The matter of providing additional room for county clerk was postponed until a special meeting and the Building Committee was authorized to ascertain the probable cost of making alterations to the present Surrogate's building and to submit the plans and specifications for the proposed improvements.

The committee appointed to meet with the State Assessors made their report, saying they had succeeded in holding the reduction to $3,000,000 made in 1891 and had secured another reduction of $1,000,000. This makes a saving to the county in State tax of over $20,000. The committee were Messrs. Boyd, Loughran Bradley and Goodsell.

The Board adjourned until 10.30 a. m., Friday, which will be the last day of the session.

Purify your blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla, which will give you an appetite, tone your stomach and strengthen your nerves

STRANGERS NOW.

They Parted and the Pain of It Went With the Parting—A Middletown Man is Happy Now.

"Parting"—a word of sorrow generally.
Exceptions; yes, sometimes 'tis joy.
Parting with friends may be painful.
But parting with pain must be joyful.
For instance, a pain in the back.
Not a friend you will say.
Oh, no, but it sticks like one.
Hard to shake off a bad back.
A back that is lame is weak or aching.
Is really a friend in need.
It is warning you of danger to come.
It's the kidneys talking trouble.
Kidneys are near the small of the back,
And if the kidneys are troubled so is the back.
Heed the warning backache brings.
Or things more serious follow.
Urinary troubles, Diabetes, Bright's Disease.
Part with them before it is too late.
Bad back and a Middletown man.
Are now strangers—they parted.

T. P. Cronin, of No. 201 West Main street, furnishes an example of this. He says: "Some four years ago I had the grip and when I recovered from its attack I found it had left my back in a very bad condition. It now developed into a severe kidney and urinary disease that caused the most trouble, backache and great irregularity of the urine which had a thick cloudy appearance, was very dark in color, precipitated a heavy deposit and was so frequent that I had to get up quite often during the night. If I did any extra hard work or caught cold the pain was always more severe and the urinary trouble more annoying. I took numberless remedies for my complaint, but failed to find anything to cure me until I obtained a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at J. E. Mills' drug store. They acted in my case about the same as they did in all the others whose published statements I had been reading about. I endorse all that is claimed for Doan's Kidney Pills."

Doan's Kidney Pills are sold for 50 cents per box or six boxes for $2.50; for sale by all dealers; sent by mail on receipt of price by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

To Post Office Box Holders.

The Post Office Department has issued orders that all lock box keys, for which a deposit of fifty cents has been made, shall be redeemed and reissued on deposit of twenty cents. You are hereby notified to return your keys within thirty days from Jan. 1st, 1897, that the above order may be complied with. Keys will be reissued at once.

C. L. ELWOOD, P. M.

Died from His Injuries.

Edward Sharp, the Erie flagman who had both arms crushed by being run over by a pusher engine in Port Jervis, Wednesday noon, did not rally from the shock of amputation, but died in the hospital that night. He was fifty four years old, was a veteran of the war and had been for twenty years in the service of the Erie.

ONE CENT A WORD

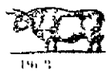
for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

FINE Christmas Gifts—A bottle of good perfumery a beautiful atomizer filled with our choice violet or lavender water, a shaving cup soap and brush complete, or a box of choice cigars. Call in and inspect them.
CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

STENOGRAPHER, graduate desires position salary moderate
d15,17 MISS V., Box 181 Newburgh

FINE Sachet Powder of choice odors at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street

ALL Home Killed Poultry for Christmas. Chickens constantly on hand at lowest prices
19d1t GREENING'S



GREAT DROP—Prices Down. A best kettle to render 5 to 8c sausage and pork only 10c one per pieces pork 8c per pounds 7c.
19c2 GREENING'S

J. W. MILLER Auctioneer will sell at public auction for the undersigned at his farm known as the John Borland farm, at Mount Hope, on road leading to White Bridge on Wednesday Dec 23d at 10 o'clock a. m. sharp all his live stock farming utensils etc. See Large Bills.
w15,18 P. W. MOORE

FOR a large assortment of linen goods and handkerchiefs go to
19d&w CRAWFORDS, 15 West Main street

TWO Rent from April 1st—My farm near Stony Id of 102 acres Good buildings, keeps 20 cows and team. Address F. A. MAPES
w15,18,22 4 6 West End Ave New York city

WE are making special prices on trimmed hats sailors, walking hats tams and children caps
19d&w T. CRAWFORD 15 West Main street

FOR RENT—Four rooms first floor double house on Wawayanda avenue well and cistern. Your own price until April 1st
EDWIN S. MERRILL Attorney at Law, No. 16 East Main street.

ALL Members of Corliss Asso., No. 10, of N. A. S. L. are requested to be present at their rooms, on Saturday evening, Dec 19th, for the purpose of nominating officers
By order of President
F. C. WARREN, Secretary 19d2t

"HARDING'S Handy Hanger" price 12 cents Keeps coat vest and pants in good shape, all at the same time. A fine Christmas gift
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For Holiday Presents.

We have an assortment of articles that are pretty, useful and reasonable in price.

Our Stock of Perfumery was Never so Large or so Choice.

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IF YOU SEE A GOOD THING

GRAB IT.

COME LOOK IN OUR STORE---IT'S FULL OF GOOD THINGS.

Our Closing Out Sale is Booming.

STEP IN AND SEE HOW CHEAP

WE ARE SELLING

Overcoats, Ulsters, Reefers, Suits, Odd Pants, Etc. for Men and Boys' Wear.

Now is the time to select your Holiday Presents out of our elegant stock of

HATS, CAPS, UNDERWEAR, NECKWEAR, HOSIERY,

Cardigans, Sweaters, Leather Coats,

Gloves, Mitts, Umbrellas Mackintoshes

OUR LOW PRICES WILL ASTONISH YOU.

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MATTHEWS & CO.,

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YOU cannot walk on the points of nails with comfort under any circumstance. To have your fine shoes "SOLED" with the nailing process is summer madness. CRAIG, the shoemaker's new method dispenses with nailing.
22 WEST MAIN STREET.

DR. C. THIMME, Dentist over J. B. Swaim's grocery store, No. 12 East Main street dtf

M. C. FREER has opened a painting and paper hanging business at 81 Wisner avenue. All work guaranteed to be satisfactory. Prices very reasonable
5dtf Feb6 M. C. FREER

PAPER Hanging at 12½ a roll, also all kinds of painting. Estimates on all work cheerfully furnished. EMIL MARTINI.
dtf Shop 5 Academy Ave

GOOD Barn for rent. W. C. DOYLE.
97dtf 24 Benton avenue

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95d2m Lands W. W. PRESTON, Clarkson, Iowa

EXTRACTING with gas 50c., odontunder 50c. No charge for extracting when artificial teeth are to be inserted. Best teeth $6, $8 and $10 a set. Twenty years' experience.
90d&wtf DR. ROBINSON, 44 and 46 James St.

PIPES, PIPES, PIPES.

I will offer this week, at my store, pipes at a great reduction. Now is the time to buy. Don't fail to come in and examine my stock, as I have the largest assortment to select from in the city. Electric Cigar Store, No. 12 North street, Middletown
12d&wl3 My20 N. D. MILLS, Prop.

FOR SALE—Hotel, boarding houses, farms and private residences, also properties to rent. Enquire of ELMER PITTS.
18d6t&sw3m Mh17 Bloomingburgh, N. Y.

CLAIRVOYANT—PROF. W. H. SAGENDORF has left town and will return to Middletown the 18th of January, 1897, and remain one week at Wm. S. Roe's, 37 James St. 18d&w3m Mch17

AUCTION at the yards of J. M. Johnson, on Genung street, Middletown, Monday, Dec. 21st, at 11 o'clock sharp, 50 Wayne county cows, about 20 of them new milkers, balance forward springers. TEGELER & CO.
JOSHUA CASE, Jr., Auctioneer 11d&w

BREAD Winner Cook Stove, size 8, first-class condition, and good baker, Skates and Fur Caps cheap at the
EXCHANGE AND MART CO., No. 46 East Main street.

AUCTION!

The undersigned will offer for sale and sell at public auction, on the premises and at the house of the late Gilbert Goodgion, on North Beacon street, in the city of Middletown, on SATURDAY, Dec. 19th, 1896, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, all the household goods, personal property and effects of the late Gilbert Goodgion, consisting of bedroom suits, mattresses, springs, bedding, carpets, stoves, canned fruit, chairs, tables, and many other articles too numerous to mention
Dated Dec. 7, 1896
HERVEY C. GOODGION, General Guardian, etc
VANAMEE, WATTS & VAIL, Attorneys 15d2t

COLLECTOR'S NOTICE. STATE AND COUNTY TAX

The warrant for the collection of the State and County Tax for the city of Middletown, N. Y., for the year 1896 having been delivered to me by the Board of Supervisors, I will attend on each working day of the week (Saturday afternoons and holidays excepted), from 9 o'clock in the forenoon until 2 o'clock in the afternoon at the Corporation Rooms, Center street, in said city, for 30 days beginning Monday, Dec. 21st, 1896, and ending Monday, Jan. 25th, 1897, inclusive, for the purpose of receiving payment of said taxes. No fee will be charged during said 30 days.
C. M. HAMILTON, Collector
Dated Middletown, N. Y., Dec. 18, 1896
Dec18,19,21,22,23,24,26,28 29,30,31Jan4,5,6,7,8,9,18,19, 20,21,22,23

CHAMBERS, the Druggist, has just received a fine assortment of Perfumes, suitable for holiday presents. Call in and see them.
"HAMBERS" Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

The annual election for Directors of this bank will be held at the banking rooms of the bank, on Tuesday, January 12th 1897, from 9 a. m. to 10 a. m.
SEYMOUR DEWITT, Cashier

4.75 a Barrel FOR Best Patent Flour TILL DEC. 19, '96

SLOAT'S Cash Store.

GREAT HOLIDAY SALE!

A Great Opportunity to Select Presents at the Lowest Imaginable Prices.

An assortment of 1,000 picture frames in Leatherette and White Metal from 15c up; 50 styles of Pocketbooks 12c up; plush and celluoid work boxes, handkerchief cases, smokers' sets, tie, glove and jewel cases from 25c up. Kid gloves, umbrellas, handkerchiefs and many other articles too numerous to mention. Come and see us. Reliable and up-to-date.

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LET US REMIND YOU

that we are saving you from 10 to 20 per cent. on every dollar's worth of goods you buy from us. We show you a large assortment of everything, and are too pleased to show you our goods even if for comparison only.

HOLIDAY GIFTS EVERYWHERE.

Our assortment of Holiday Goods is especially large—Gloves, Mittens, Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Hats, Caps, Umbrellas and Sweaters.

NECKWEAR!

Here we puzzle 'em all. High class Neckwear, such as are sold by all dealers at 50 and 75c., we offer at

35 Cents Each or 3 for $1.

All styles and all the new shades—Tecks, Four-in-Hands, Imperials and Puffs. The 25c quality, in all styles, at 20c each. Clothing makes a very useful Christmas gift. All the clothing we sell is our own make. Buy, therefore, direct from the maker and save the middleman's profit.

Budwig & Co. 8 NORTH ST MIDDLETOWN, N.Y.

15d,tf&w Dec 18

Dolls, Vases, Handkerchiefs.

PRICES REDUCED.

36 Dolls, 15 to 20 in. long, were 15 to 20c., now 10 and 20c
15 Dressed Dolls, were 25c., now 15c.
4 Dressed Dolls, were 65c to $1, now 50c.
1 Dressed Doll, was $1.75, now $1.
Jointed Dolls now 10c and 18c.
Japanese Dolls 1c and 5c., large 50c.

Japanese Vases, were 29c a pair, now 20c.; Japanese Vases, were 65, 85 and 95c., now 50c; Japanese Dolls, were $2.25, now $1.50.
Men's Large Hemstitch Silk Handkerchiefs 19c.
Men's Large Hemstitch Silk Initial Handkerchiefs 23c.
Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, used in display, were 13 and 15c., now 10c.; Do., were 21 and 25c., now 19c.
Japanese Silk Embroidered Handkerchiefs 8c.
Big drive in Ladies' 50, 75c and $1 Sailors at 29c.

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